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## Mr. K. Greig's Job

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A cable has been received in the Colony that Mr. Kenneth E. Greig, former Manager of the Talkoo Dockyard and Engineering Co. Ltd., has been appointed Managing Director of Scott's Shipbuilding and Engineering Co. Ltd., at Greenock, Scotland.

Mr. Greig left the Colony on retirement in June, 1937, after 28 years with Talkoo Dockyard. He arrived in Hongkong in 1908 as assistant engineer-manager of the Dockyard, and was appointed manager early in 1926. During those years, he saw Talkoo grow into one of the most important undertakings of its kind in the Far East.

Under the auspices of the Sino-British Cultural Association, an exhibition of paintings by Mr. Wang Chih-yung, well-known Chinese artist from Shanghai who arrived in Hongkong recently en route to the United States, will be held at the Fung Ping Shan Chinese Library to-day.

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- 7.—Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.
- 8.—No picture entered in more than one Section.
- 9.—Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes—10x12, 10x20.
- 10.—No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
- 11.—Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.
- 12.—The decision of the Judges shall be final.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, First Floor, Gloucester Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, the 30th day of June, 1941, at 10 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1940.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday, the 16th June, 1941 to Monday, the 30th June, 1941, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

E. M. SANDO,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 11th June, 1941.

### THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LIMITED

#### Notice to Shareholders

The Sixtieth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 25th June, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 11th June to the 25th June, 1941, both days inclusive.

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## G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 16th day of June, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shek Shan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

#### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rental	Upset Price
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 607	Between San Lau Street and Pak Hung Street.	N. 8. E. W. 100 feet 100 feet 100 feet	about 4,175	\$2	\$20.50

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$3,096.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

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## GREAT CHINA UNIVERSITY

The Great China University, Shanghai, has decided to open a branch in Hongkong in the autumn. It will occupy the present site of the Nam Wah College at Homantin, Kowloon. The latter is to be removed to Weihai, Kwangtung. Entrance examinations will be held on June 20.

The branch university will consist of six departments, namely, arts, science, commerce, law, education and engineering.



General view of the King George's Field near the Jordan Road ferry, Kowloon, formally opened on Wednesday by the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, showing the large crowd that inspected the new park after the official ceremony. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

## Succour For Refugees In Canton

The medical services rendered to refugees, the community and neighbouring villages on the Lignan University Campus at Honam Island during the past two years is described in a report issued by Dr. Frank Oldt, of Canton Hospital, Sun Yat-sen Medical College, Lignan University.

The report deals with medical services for Lignan Refugee Camp, community and neighbouring villages from October 26, 1938, to January 31, 1940, and also for community and neighbouring villages from February 1, 1940, to January 31, 1941.

The campus is situated on Honam Island well outside the city of Canton. Its area is roughly one square mile and in this was, including refugees, a community of from over 6,300 in the beginning to over 2,200 people at the end. The community was more or less self-sufficient, having its own police department, school, bank, theatre, post office, church and hospital, besides producing or manufacturing many of the articles required.

#### Number of Inhabitants

When Canton was occupied in October, 1938, the population was more than 500 but before the month was over, nearly 6,000 refugees were taken in. The population of the campus from October 26, 1938, to January, 1939, was 578 and 843 from November, 1939, to January, 1940, while the number of inhabitants in the refugee camp was 5,778 and 1,358 for the same two periods.

The refugee dormitories were at one time much overcrowded. In the north section the dormitory group of buildings had capacity for about 800 students. They held more than 800 refugees. The number of patients on the first day was three but it increased rapidly and help was soon needed. Drs. N. M. Leung and H. Y. Lee and two graduate and four student nurses were secured from Hackett Medical Centre.

There were 109 deaths among the two groups and the annual infant mortality rate for the whole period was 143.1. Some of the people had more than one kind of illness. Of the refugees, 6,240 were ill with 10,012 illnesses, of campus people 1,082 were ill with 389.

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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Songs by John McCormack (Tenor).

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2.00 Rode and His Tziganes.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Compositions of Brahms.

Academic Festival Overture, Op. 80, Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Bruno Walter; Gypsy Songs, Op. 193, The Madrigal Singers, conducted by Lehman Engel with Piano accompaniment; Hungarian Dance No. 6, Boston Promenade Orchestra, by Arthur Fiedler.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Questions of the Hour.

1,608 illnesses. There were 7,620 villagers with 8,096 illnesses.

#### Service to Non-Refugees

Dealing with the medical service for non-refugee occupants of the campus and inhabitants of nearby villages from February 1, 1940, to January 31, 1941, the report states that following the closure of the refugee camp on January 31, 1940, a group of 30 or more blind people were left on the campus. The hospital and out-patient clinic were continued and a day nursery was started in May.

There were 1,182 persons on the campus; comprising 159 farmers, 121 teachers, 269 students, 213 miscellaneous and 405 of no or unknown occupation. The condition of health of each one was estimated and those classed as good were 162, fair 622, poor 69 and not reported 389.

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An experimental service providing sea transit to U.S.A. and air transit from U.S.A. to Lisbon and United Kingdom has been instituted. The inclusive postage rate is H.K.\$1.00 per 1/2 oz. for letters and H.K.\$1.00 for each for postcards. Correspondence for this service should bear the usual blue air mail label with the super-stripe "By sea to U.S.A."

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:—Yunnan, Szechuen, Kweichow, Hunan, Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangsu), Kwangsi, North and East of Kwangtung.

The Public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### INWARD AIR MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways" Direct Service—San Francisco date: June 10..... June 17.

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### OUTWARD AIR MAILS

Monday, June 10

Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

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Reg. .... June 10, 4 p.m.

Ord. .... June 10, 4.30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 11

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

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Reg. .... June 17, 5 p.m.

Ord. .... June 17, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg. .... June 17, 5 p.m.

Ord. .... June 17, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, July 1

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

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### DAYLIGHT SAVING

DAYLIGHT saving at last! For years Hongkong has wanted it and agitated for it, but the die-hards always succeeded in stopping it; now, ironically enough, a war has intervened to make it a reality overnight. The measure is not likely immediately to attain 100 per cent popularity; it will necessitate certain readjustments to the daily life of the Colony and this is bound to produce protests until adaptability asserts itself. But the benefits to be derived from extra daylight are sufficiently compensating as the European countries have known for the past 25 years.

The idea of putting the clocks forward originated in England in 1916. The measure was revised in 1924 and made permanent in 1925. At the present time, because of the war, Britain's clocks are two hours ahead of the sun, constituting an important part of the fight the nation is waging against the dictators.

Daylight Saving is being introduced to Hongkong primarily as a defence measure; it will save fuel and power and will facilitate military training. It promises other benefits; more time for open air recreation, another hour for work in the garden. To thousands of people here daylight saving will offer a boon, and although inconveniences to start with are inevitable, these are bound to be outweighed by other considerations.

It is proposed that daylight saving shall be one hour in what can be broadly called the summer, and half an hour during the winter. This is reasonable and meets an overwhelmingly popular demand. It is extremely doubtful whether, once the system becomes operative, it will ever be discarded. Daylight to the average man is very precious; he has a great hunger for it, and putting the clocks forward is one way—artificial it is true—of satiating his hunger.

The introduction of daylight saving in Hongkong is warmly approved.

# Belgian Empire's Share In Britain's War Effort

M. ALBERT DE VLEESCHAUWER, Belgian Minister of Colonies, who left London last December to tour his country's vast African empire, has returned to Britain after a journey of more than 30,000 miles.

I talked with him in his office in Belgravia. He came along. We have, too, our pilots in the R.A.F. They have done well already and have a respectable number of victories to their credit.

"Certain troops of the Belgian Congo Forces have already gone forward and are co-operating alongside the forces of the British Empire under the command of Gen. Wavell. It was this which was one of the main reasons of my voyage. It is not only a direct contribution to the Allied war effort but also, indirectly, a means of defending Belgian Congo territory.

My first question, to one who had been seeing Britain's war effort from a distance as it were, was what impressions he had gained. He smiled. "That's easy to answer. London is, more than ever before, the heart of the civilised world as we understand it. You have the sympathy and support of all the free peoples of the world. Even in the neutral countries there is no doubt as to the outcome of the struggle. I found everywhere the same feeling, the same confidence in the future."

The Minister then turned to the subject of his tour.

### Resolve Of Free Men

"In the Belgian Congo there are Belgians who still are free, whose ways of life are similar to yours, whose general outlook is the same. Having been born free men, they are determined to die free men. For this no sacrifice can ever be too great. There are no Quislings in the Belgian Congo. Any who had such tendencies, as well as the enemy aliens who were established there, have been put out of harm's way. There may be enemy propaganda, but it is not noticeable and cuts no ice."

Germans and Italians had been fairly active before most of them were locked up (largely on M. de Vleeschauwer's initiative).

"In what were formerly German East African possessions and are now the mandated Belgian territories of Ruanda and Urundi, the native population of some 3,000,000 suffered from neglect, maladministration and even starvation under German rule, but now they are prosperous, healthy and happy."

"There, as in the Belgian Congo, the natives roundly condemn Nazi-ism. If that went on 'is well under way,' is how Hitler treats white people," their delegates would say to me, "what could we expect if he were victorious?"

### Colonials In Action

I asked for some account of Belgium's war effort.

"Take first our military co-operation," replied M. de Vleeschauwer. "You know that after losing one army in the battle of Belgium, our second army, in process of reconstruction in France, was caught there as a result of the French financial. It provides that all surplus of Belgium spirit has plus foreign exchange and gold never been broken, despite our production—and it is substantial misfortunes. We have it—shall be ceded to Britain

## Colonial Minister on the Purpose of His African tour—An interview with M. Albert de Vleeschauwer, by George Soloveytschik

our troops in this country, and their number will increase as the new recruits called up under general mobilisation orders come along. We have, too, our pilots in the R.A.F. They have done well already and have a respectable number of victories to their credit.

"Certain troops of the Belgian Congo Forces have already gone forward and are co-operating alongside the forces of the British Empire under the command of Gen. Wavell. It was this which was one of the main reasons of my voyage. It is not only a direct contribution to the Allied war effort but also, indirectly, a means of defending Belgian Congo territory.

"Within the last few days these troops have been the subject of special mention for gallantry. It is indeed a great satisfaction to all Belgians established in the Congo to know that our men have been given the opportunity to pull their weight in that great campaign."

"And our effort has only just started. It will be increased as and when necessary in accordance with the technical possibilities. Our men are ready and fit, and keenly anxious to join the fighting line."

"They are being trained in modern weapons and showing astounding aptitude. Our native soldiers can take to bits and put together again the most complicated machine-gun blindfold."

### Ships And Resources

"We have also done something else which is important. Not only have we made possible the passage of South African troops through our territory but we are also organising and expanding transport facilities for Allied forces. Our policy is one of complete co-operation. We do not intend to depart from it."

"There comes next the contribution of our merchant fleet, manned by Belgian seamen."

"We have, as you know, an agreement with Britain by which the whole of it, including the ships which formerly served the Congo Line, is time chartered to your Ministry of Shipping. We had asked for the ships formerly used for that line to be kept on it as far as possible, not only because they are specially adapted for the service but because they are needed; but in the past few months the strain imposed on British shipping has deprived some countries of the facilities they need. The Belgian Congo must, I fear, be included in that category. In discussing these problems with the British Government, however, we have met with sympathetic consideration and seen a very sincere desire to readjust the position. It is now improving."

"The Belgian Congo's co-operation in the economic and financial fields," the Minister continued on "is well under way." You probably know of the two agreements between the British Government and ourselves.

"One provides for purchases to be made by the United Kingdom in the Belgian Congo. All the products specified (with possibly one small exception) are essential to your country in connection with the war effort. We do not want you to buy things you do not need, and so we are endeavouring to find markets elsewhere for those after losing one army in the battle of Belgium, our second army, in process of reconstruction in France, was caught there as a result of the French financial. It provides that all surplus of Belgium spirit has plus foreign exchange and gold never been broken, despite our production—and it is substantial misfortunes. We have it—shall be ceded to Britain

occupied Belgium the truth and to unmask the lies of Nazi propaganda."

It was to Leopoldville that M. de Vleeschauwer flew from Lisbon at the outset of his journey. Standing in front of a great map he pointed out to me his itinerary.

"First, I spent some time in the Lower Congo district," he said. "There I was able to get in touch at once with our French friends and neighbours who are co-operating so valiantly under the standard of Free France."

"I then flew via Stanleyville to Nairobi, on an official visit. I wished to make it quite clear, immediately on my arrival in Africa, that I was there to reinforce and further our war effort. I was the guest of the Governor of Kenya, and met, too, the Governors of Uganda and Northern and Southern Rhodesia."

### Talk With Gen. Smuts

"Passing through the Congo again I then flew down to Pretoria, in answer to an invitation of copper, gold, diamonds, radium, cotton, copal, jute, tin, I was received with the greatest kindness, and I hope it will not sound presumptuous if I say a word or two about Gen. Smuts. He is a very great man and a great statesman, a truly loyal friend of this country; and what is so amazing about him before long hopes to help to supply the Allied forces. Similarly, there is hope that sacks experience for me, and an added reason for all the Allied confidence in the future, to meet a leader like that."

As M. de Vleeschauwer's English is somewhat imperfect, and not being certain about Gen. Smuts's command of French, I asked in what language they had talked together.

"Why, he spoke to me in Afrikaans and I answered him in Flemish," said the Minister, who is himself of Flemish stock. "There is practically no difference between the two languages, and throughout my sojourn in South Africa I spoke mostly Flemish."

"After my visit to Gen. Smuts I returned to the Belgian Congo for a meeting of the Government Council. Finally I left to fly back along the route by which I had come, meeting on the way the governors of the West Coast empire possessions and, in particular, the Governor of Nigeria. Thus was I able to complete the contacts I had hoped to make with all those who, on African soil, are today pulling their weight in the struggle which the British Commonwealth of Nations and their Allied friends are waging."

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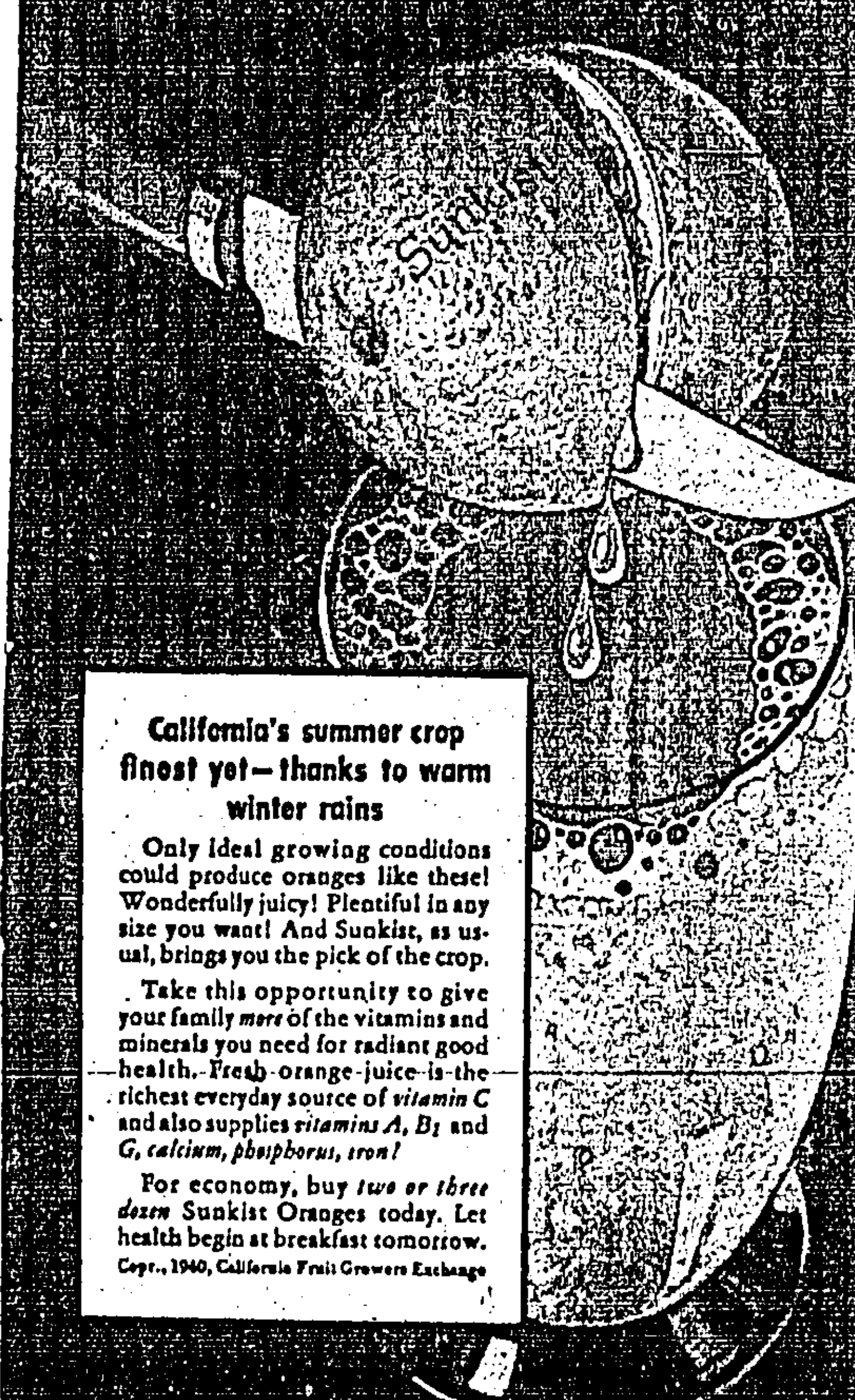
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## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You been six weeks in the army, Hubert—is it true that we can be successfully invaded?"

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## RELEASE CLAUSE IN MATRIMONY

NAIROBI, June 12 (Reuter).—"I want you to tell the Judge and jury whether you had anything directly or indirectly to do with the death of the Earl of Erroll," said Counsel when Sir Delves Broughton, charged with the murder of Lord Erroll, entered the witness box after the Judge's rejection of the plea that there was no case to answer.

Sir Delves, referring to his service in the last war, said that he had a pensionable disablement from the effects of sunstroke, one of which rendered him unable to drive at night.

He spoke of a pre-marriage agreement with his present wife that if either fell in love with another, they would release each other.

**In Love With Erroll**

The public followed tensely the accused's account of his reactions on realizing that his wife had fallen in love with Lord Erroll. There was no quarrel at any time between the accused and Lord Erroll or with his wife. He was very sorry for his wife, and although he regretted the attachment to Lord Erroll, he realised that she had all her young life in front of her while he (the accused) had not.

He hoped that his wife, by going away for three months with Lord Erroll, might stop loving Lord Erroll, but Lord Erroll neither approved this idea nor that he (Lord Erroll) himself should go away.

## Atlantic Air Route From Eire

Possible Concession

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 12 (Domei).

Irish sources revealed that Mr. de Valera, Eire Premier, refused to permit the United States to use Eire's seaports or airports as a stepping-stone for the transportation of war supplies to Britain. These sources said that Mr. de Valera felt that the use of any part of southern Eire for such purposes would open the country to Nazi air attacks as a legitimate military target.

It is understood, however, that Mr. de Valera may agree to the establishment of a terminus in Eire for the trans-Atlantic passenger service. It is reliably reported that the United States is making arrangements for a direct air link with Britain because of the fear of Nazi moves in the Western Mediterranean and Atlantic soon possibly severing the present connection via the Azores and Lisbon.

## Heroism Of Greece Not Forgotten

Message From King

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).

In a message to King George of Greece thanking the Greek people "one and all and each individually" for their heroic stand in Greece and Crete, King George VI, while saying that the loss of Crete was a "bitter blow," adds:

"We share your grief, but we also share your hopes. News reaches this country daily to prove that the tragedy of Greece has left unbroken the spirit of your gallant people, who show and continue to show heroism and disregard for odds unsurpassed in history."

Remembering that the spirit of the Greek people remains high, the message concludes: "We do not forget that great soldier-statesman, General John Metaxas, who said to the Italians, 'You shall not pass,' nor his successor, Mr. Alexander Korizis, who said 'No' to a yet more powerful foe."

## War Supply Extension

Duncan On Scheme

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).

A programme of development which will provide "substantial assistance not only to the United Kingdom but to all countries in the Eastern Group" was mentioned in the House of Commons "to-day" by the Minister of Supply, Sir Andrew Duncan, reporting on the successful mission which led to the establishment of the so-called Eastern Group Supply Council at the end of last year to co-ordinate the production of munitions and stores to meet the requirements of local and Imperial fighting forces.

The Group comprises India, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Far East and East Africa colonies as well as Palestine and Ceylon.

Sir Andrew Duncan said that the Government of India was now proceeding actively to implement the Council's recommendations for the expansion of war supplies production in India.

## BORIS VISITS MUSSOLINI

ROME, June 12 (UP).—It is officially announced that Mussolini received King Boris of Bulgaria at the Venice Palace where they conversed for two hours.

## Vengeance Of Franco

On Fiery Orator

MADRID, June 12 (Reuter).

The Communist, Dolores Ibarruri Gomez, whose impassioned speeches during the civil war made her known throughout the world as "Las Pastora," has been condemned to a 25,000,000 peseta fine, which is equivalent to the loss of all possessions, and banishment for 15 years.

The Tribunal also recommended that "Las Pastora" who is now believed to be in Russia be deprived of Spanish nationality.

## Wooden Houses Taken Over

Istanbul Plans

Actively pursuing plans for ensuring adequate air-raid precautions at Istanbul, the Turkish Government

has decided to take over some 60,000 wooden houses sheltering nearly 250,000 people at a cost of about £4,000,000.

The expropriated houses, mostly situated in the old Stamboul quarters, where the population is most dense, and also in the suburbs on the Asiatic coast of the Bosphorus, will be either demolished or effectively isolated.

This action would greatly lessen the risk of fires spreading should incendiary bombs be dropped if Turkey is involved in war.

**Evacuation Speeded**

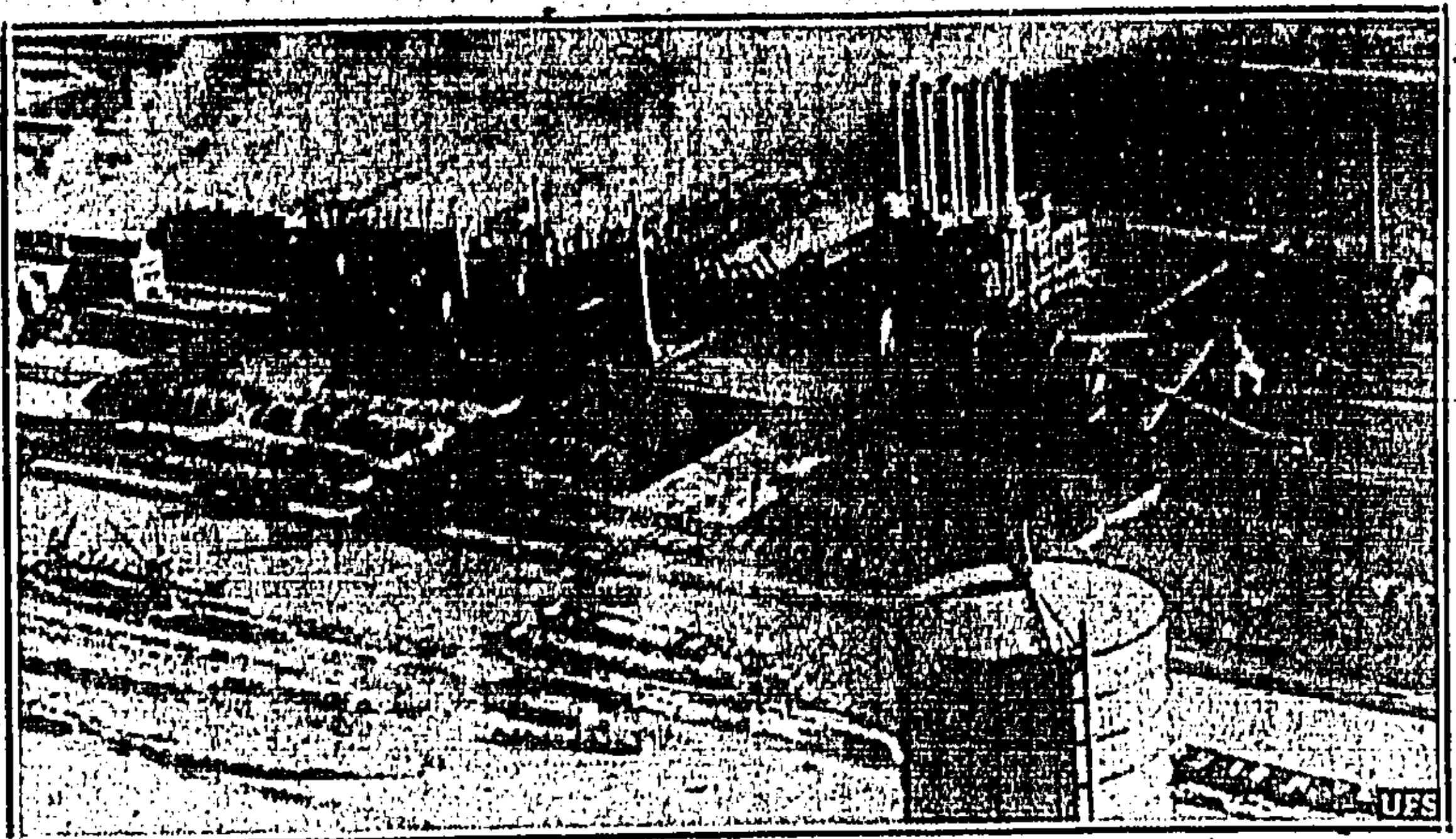
Meanwhile arrangements for the evacuation to Anatolia of certain classes of the population of Istanbul are being speeded up, and the first departures will take place in the middle of next week.

About 50,000 people are already registered.

Ample stocks of foodstuffs and other supplies are being accumulated in the city by the newly-created Government supply department.

## Antonescu Returns

BERLIN, June 12 (UP).—The official news agency reports that General Antonescu, Premier of Rumania, left Munich at 4 p.m. by aeroplane, bidding farewell to Ribbentrop at the airport.



STRIKE PARALYSIS—Aerial view shows part of the huge River Rouge plant, at Dearborn, Mich., of the Ford Motor Company, which had to shut down recently when 7,000 workers quit. Others staged a sit-down strike inside the factory.

## Stalin Would Like A War In The Pacific

Stalin would like nothing better than to see Japan and the United States embroiled in a war in the Pacific, believes Hugh Byas, for many years Tokyo correspondent of the London "Times" and "New York Times," who recently returned to America...

"Just as the pact between Germany and Russia was the precursor of war in Europe, so does Stalin hope that his new pact with Japan will be the signal for war in the 'Pacific,' he said. 'That would be ideal for Stalin's plans, then he would have his enemies at each other's throats.'"

Mr. Byas had not yet seen the details of the Russo-Japanese pact so he would not commit himself too strongly on its implications, other than to say it looked "ominous."

The vast majority of people in Japan desire only peace, he declares, and there is remarkably little anti-foreign feeling. However, the will of the people does not prevail, and if the army and navy hotheads want war, they will get it.

**Singapore Is Key**

"Singapore is the key to the Pacific problem," said Mr. Byas. "It is like a policeman at the crossroads, barring Japan's southward expansion. Even before Japan can attack the Dutch Indies, she must dispose of Singapore."

He believes the next aggressive action of Japan will be indirect, such as leasing bases in Sumatra on the border of British Malaya. Such a move would almost certainly precipitate trouble.

When Britain sent a large number of troops to Singapore, the Japanese bombast cooled noticeably, he states. At that time there was a firm, united action by the British, Americans and Dutch, and the Japanese took the hint.

Mr. Byas is a close personal friend of the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuo, and believes that he is "a reasonable man," who would not personally embroil Japan in war. However, the Cabinet is ruled by the army clique, and personal considerations could be overruled.

**Nazis Active Within**

There is a very German fifth column in Japan, he states. Germans have taken over some official positions in the Home Office and in the aircraft industry, while Tokyo is full of mysterious Germans with no visible means of support. They fawn upon and flatter the Japanese, and as a consequence are rather popular.

Recently, he declares, there has been a decided lessening in Japan's attempt to create a totalitarian economy, and there has been a swing towards orthodox financing. However, the economic problem is acute, and the standard of living is lower to-day than it was 20 years ago.

"The poor get poorer and the government gets richer, as far as debt is concerned," he said.

The "China incident" is a cancer on the economic life of the nation, he states, but the people have become reconciled to the perennial war, and it is no longer front page news. At the present rate, it could keep on for another 20 years, he believes.

## Pep Into Aircraft Supply

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).

Sir Charles Craven becomes Controller at the Ministry of Aircraft Production, according to a Ministry of Aircraft Production announcement which states that at the request of the Prime Minister and the Minister of Aircraft Production, the Board of Vickers have agreed to release Sir Charles Craven to take up this newly created post.

Sir Charles will be responsible to the Minister for Aircraft Production for all matters connected with production. He will take up the appointment immediately.

## Anti-Inflationary Measures

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 11 (Domei).

In the first measure of the kind taken in Britain since the outbreak of war, the Government introduced into the Commons an anti-inflationary bill empowering the authorities to fix the maximum prices and wages throughout the nation.

The measure which is designed to combat the 37 per cent increase in the general price level since the beginning of the war, would lay open all records and books of commercial and industrial enterprises to Government officials.

It requires retailers to inform buyers of the maximum prices fixed under the law and demands penalty of £500 or two years imprisonment in case of violation of its regulations. It will force the offenders to give up business entirely after the fourth offence.

If passed, the measure will be applied first to daily necessities some of which are already under price control.

## Biggest Fir Found In Oregon

LES D. LLOYD, a pulp company forester, said recently in Oregon that he had found the biggest Douglas fir in the Pacific North-west.

He estimated its age at 1,200 years, found it measured 15½ feet in diameter 4½ feet from the ground and was 210 feet high to its broken top, which is two feet in diameter.

Lloyd, whose hobby is hunting big trees, said all the information he could find indicated that the tree, which stands near the Coast Highway in Clatsop County's forest belt, is the biggest-known Douglas fir tree standing.

## WAR PRISONERS

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).

The President of the German Red Cross has arrived at Geneva, says the Swiss radio. He will have discussions with the Central Prisoners of War Committee.

## Officers' Wives May Get More

INCREASED allowances for the wives and children of Army subalterns are expected to be granted by the War Office.

The authorities have been impressed by accounts of the financial difficulties of married officers of lower rank, especially those with families. Many capable men have preferred to remain in the ranks rather than accept a commission with its financial worry.

The result is that the Army is being deprived of the services of men fit to be leaders.

**Pay Rates**

The pay of junior officers is: Second Lieutenant 11s. a day; first lieutenant 13s.

Officers of either rank under 30 receive an allowance of 3s. a day for a wife, 4s. 6d. a day for a wife and child, and 5s. a day for wife and two or more children.

An officer over 30 is allowed 6s. a day, irrespective of whether he has any children or not.

No allowance is given for a mother, even if her son's earnings in peacetime were her sole means of support, nor any other dependent relative.

## Free Austrians In America

Fight For Freedom

Formation of Austrian Action, a "militant, non-partisan organisation of free and independent Austrians in the Americas," to aid the fight against Nazism, was announced in New York recently. Count Ferdinand Czernin, Austrian writer, is chairman.

Austrian Action proposes to provide ways for Austrians aged 18 to 44 to "take part actively in the fight for freedom, consistent with the laws of the countries in which they live."

Those who can not enlist for military service will be given opportunity to work for the freedom of their people in other ways.

Similar to the Free French organisation of Gen. Charles De Gaulle, Austrian Action's "one great aim is to regain for the Austrian people the right of self-determination."

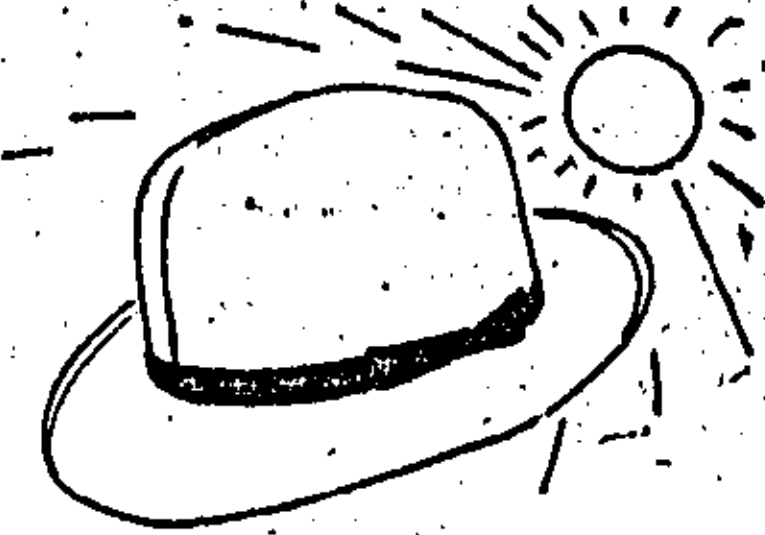
Count Czernin told a press conference.

## Fired Till Nazi Was 50 Ft. Off

When a Nazi dive bomber attacked the Admiralty driver Young Mun, the gunner on board fired his Lewis gun until the plane was within fifty feet.

The Nazi, hit and out of control, crashed into the ship, carried away the mizzen mast and fell in pieces into the sea.

The Young Mun (Skipper G. B. Buchan, R.N.) was accompanied by H.M. Yacht Chico (Lieutenant J. Masson, D.F.C., R.N.V.R.), and the Chico's guns helped to destroy the bomber, according to an Admiralty communique.



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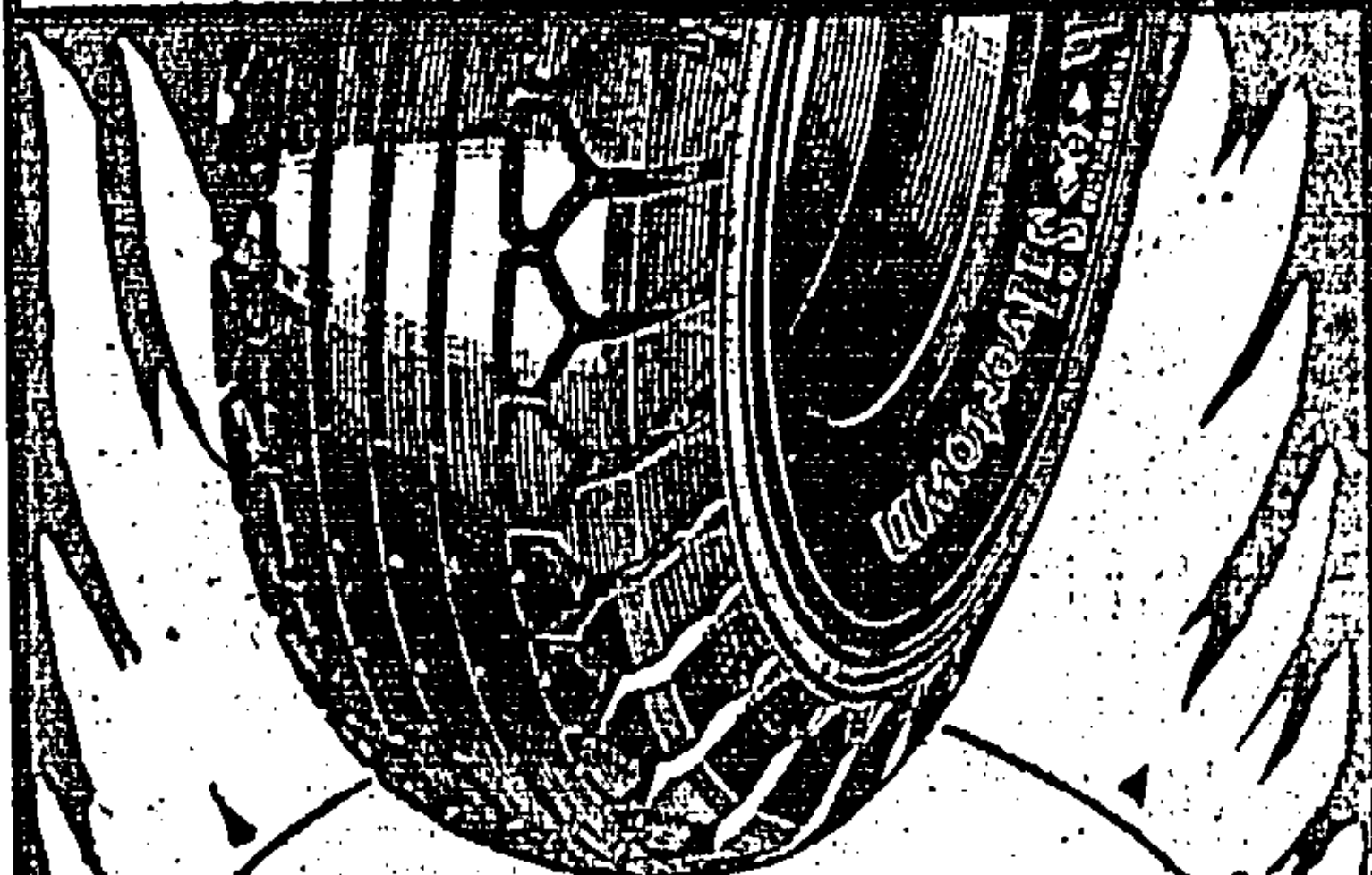
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This rule will apply most so in the Army and Navy pools where the width of the baths does not permit a player being within the two-yard area without influencing play.

On the question of carrying the ball, the practice of referees blowing up for carrying the ball should be discontinued as Clubs all over the world eliminated this ruling some years ago.

There will be a Referees' Class with blackboard instruction at the Y.M.C.A. pool on Wednesday next at 8.30 p.m.

**Filipino Post Office "A" 1**  
 Playing at home, the Filipino Club beat  
 Post Office 8-1.  
**P. Poon and P. Poon** beat **S. S. Chin**  
 and **K. K. Chin** 6-1; beat **K. W. Wong** and  
**S. S. Fung** 6-1; beat **J. Iwelowit** and **N.**  
**Morrison** 5-7.  
**L. Gonzalez** and **L. S. Wol** beat **Chin**  
 and **Chin** 6-1; beat **Wong** and **Fung** 6-1;  
 lost to **Iwelowit** and **Morrison** 5-7.  
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**S. S. China** 8 1/4 Army 3/4  
 at **Kenilworth Park**, **South China** beat **Army**  
**Tennis Club**, 5-1.  
**W. J. Mok** and **J. Y. Kwok** beat **S. S. Fung**  
 and **L. C. Stoner** 6-1; beat **S. S.**

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of 8min 53.4sec at the New York A.C. games.

Moll Trutt, who was second in 1:59.8, is a newcomer to this high standard, and kept with Rice until the final dash for the tape. Trutt has been hunting home the fast milers.

Easley and L/Cpl. Glasgow 6-1 beat L. K. C. Wong and B. L. Chung best Ford and Stoner 6-3; best Easley and Glasgow 6-2; best Truman and Mitchell 6-1; B. S. Yau and C. M. Tang drew with Ford and Stoner 6-6; best Easley and Glasgow 6-3; best Truman and Mitchell 6-1.

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## Tomahawk Machines In Mock Battle Tests

After hearing so much about the aircraft which the United States are sending us it was interesting to see, on an R.A.F. station a number of the types which are already in service. Row after row of gleaming new aircraft made an impressive and comforting sight. They certainly looked all right, but were their performances as good as we had been led to expect?

All doubts about at least one type—the Curtiss Tomahawk—were set at rest by seeing it engage in a most realistic ten-minute "battle" with an improved mark of Hurricane. Both in the hands of experienced fighter pilots, they dived, turned, banked, and climbed in spirited manner, at times flashing just overhead and a moment later chasing each other miles away at a height of several thousand feet. Had the guns been in action each would have destroyed the other several times, but as it was the pilots returned to the starting point satisfied that they had shown that the Tomahawk is a most useful acquisition to the R.A.F.'s fighter strength.

### Without A Vice

The wing commander who had piloted the Tomahawk said that he was very pleased with it. It had no vice, was a manoeuvrable machine, and its rate of climb was extremely good. Observation from the ground confirmed his impression.

Other American machines on view were the Curtiss Hawk, a single-seat, low-wing monoplane with radial engine; the Grumman Martlet, a mid-wing cantilever monoplane with an ingenious type of undercarriage; the Brewster Buffalo, a somewhat similar type of machine; and the Douglas Boston (known in the United States as the DB7).

The Boston is a twin-engine bomber, and its distinctive feature is a tricycle undercarriage. It carries a crew of three; has four .5 guns in the nose and two free guns in the tail. It is comparable with the Blenheim, and pilots who have flown this type say that it is an admirable machine in every way. Maximum speed is said to be 320 miles an hour. The Martlet has already shot down an enemy machine while in service with the Fleet Air Arm.

### Flying The Atlantic

Aircraft which have the necessary range are being flown across the Atlantic, but the fighters are brought over by sea. On arrival in port they are immediately taken by train or road to the assembly bases. The fuselage, with engine already attached, is shipped in one huge packing case, and the wing assembly in another. Movable cranes quickly carry them into the assembling shops. Then each machine goes through a flying test before being taken by an Air Transport Auxiliary pilot to an R.A.F. maintenance unit, which in turn hands it on to an operational squadron.

Several pilots who have ferried American P.B.Y. flying-boats across the Atlantic recently were on the aerodrome. One was an American from Denver, Colorado, who was formerly employed as a constable pilot, and the others were Canadians serving with the R.A.F. They all spoke of the wretched weather during which they had had to make the crossing, but said that they experienced no particular difficulty. All spoke highly of the flying-boat which they had brought over for service with the R.A.F. Coastal Command.

### AFTER VICTORY

An announcement of a forthcoming wedding was reported in a recent issue of the "Daily Telegraph" concludes with the words, "no presents until Victory."

## WAAFs Won't Be Able To Resign

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## 19 Mistfers Among 319 H. G. Chiefs

Of a total of 319 men appointed as officers in the Home Guard, only nineteen are plain "mistfers."

Peers, baronets, knights and brigadier-generals are among those newly appointed.

Captain the Hon. Michael Claude Hamilton Bowes-Lyon, an elder brother of the Queen, is made a battalion commander.

Sir Edward Archibald Ruggles-Brise, M.P., and Major-General George Fleming, are appointed zone commanders with the rank of colonel. Sir John Donald Horvath is appointed a group commander with the rank of colonel, and Brigadier Robert Johnston is assistant area commander with rank of lieutenant-colonel.

The Hon. Edward Granville Elliot is among those appointed second-in-command to zone commanders with the rank of lieutenant-colonel.

### Lieut.-Colonels

The following are included among appointments as battalion commanders with rank of lieutenant-colonel: Sir Charles Robert Bigg, Lord Hastings, the Hon. Claud Lambton, the Hon. Standish Robert Vereker, the Hon. Guy Greville Wilson, Brigadier-General Philip James Vandeleur Kelly, Brigadier-General Sir Standish George Gase Croft, Brigadier-General Sir Eric Stanley Girdwood, Brigadier-General Maurice Lilburn MacEwen, Brigadier-General Francis Charles White, Brigadier-General Edmond Wingate Vennart, Sir William Philip Colfox, M.P., Major-General Edward Bailey Ashmore, Viscount Cowdray, General Sir Ronald John Thornton Hildyard, Brigadier Alan George Caldwell Hutchinson, Baron Harold Rothband and Sir Fergus Graham.

## No Voting By Proxy

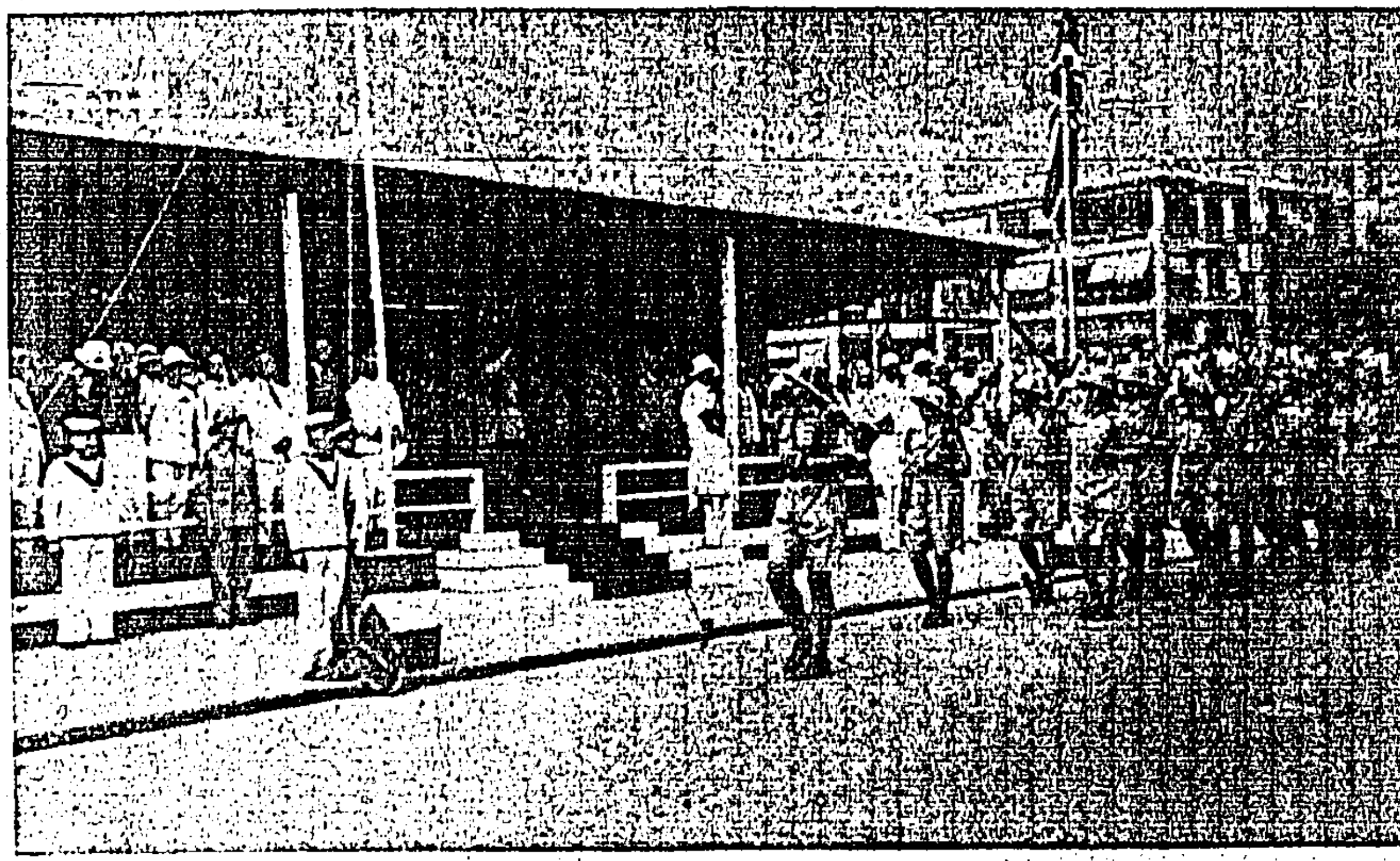
**Suggestion in Commons Turned Down**

Mr Attlee clearly had the whole House with him recently when he rejected as "contrary to the tradition and spirit of the House" a backbench suggestion that M.P.s absent on war work should be able to record their votes.

Although it has unofficially sanctioned the practice of absent M.P.s "pairing," the House of Commons has always insisted on confining the right to vote to those who are present.

In fact, until 1909 M.P.s who were actually in the Chamber when the question was put could take part in the subsequent division. Since then any M.P. within five minutes of the lobby has been allowed to rush in for the vote.

Peers, on the other hand, traditionally enjoy the privilege, by a Royal Licence, of voting by proxy. This privilege has been in abeyance since 1869. It could be revived at any time if the House after two days' notice passed a resolution suspending the 1869 Standing Order.



His Excellency Major-General A. E. Grasett, General Officer Commanding, taking the salute during the march past at the King's Birthday review in Wanchai yesterday morning. (Photo: New China Newsphotos).

## Indian Christians' Big Influence In Politics

The Indian Christian community which has hitherto attracted less attention than its importance deserves, promises to play a useful part in the political struggle now going on in India.

Twenty years ago this community numbered in all about 4,500,000 persons. By 1931 it had increased to close on 6,000,000, a growth of 32 per cent in 10 years. Since then it has not only developed further in numerical strength but the high proportion of literates it contains is enabling it to exercise influence far beyond that to which mere counting of heads might seem to entitle it.

Evidence of this is to be seen in a well-informed volume on India's future now published by one of its members. The writer is Mr J. Chinnai Dural, a highly cultivated barrister of the Middle Temple, London. Its title is "The Choice Before India" (Jonathan Cape, London).

This volume gives an inside account of the present situation in India, throwing new light on the political problems involved and indicating that forces of good sense and moderation are growing up which may conceivably before long fundamentally change the entire political balance.

### Away From Gandhi

Mr Dural contends that the scale has begun to incline already away from Gandhi, Nehru and the Indian National Congress Party which these leaders control and towards a group of parties of more moderate opinion, including Non-Congress Hindus and Indian Christians.

These "moderates," he claims, represent by themselves a much larger body of Indian public opinion than does the Congress Party. If they can succeed, therefore, in joining hands with the main organisations of the 70,000,000 non-Congress Indian Moslems, they should constitute a combination strong enough to transform the whole present political make-up of India.

### Congress Machinery

They have hitherto, he holds, failed to do this only because of the superior political machinery that the Congress has got together. So powerful has this Congress Party machinery become that even those who are quite out of sympathy with Congress views often hesitate to speak out in public, although the next elections are likely to show a notable swing over in voting strength in the legislative bodies.

### Two Points

The main split is over two points. One concerns appreciation of need for India to throw in its lot wholeheartedly with Britain against the dictator countries. The other has to do with the ending of that Hindu-Muslim friction which now holds up all constitutional advance.

The great mass of educated Indians, Mr Dural points out, realise that the full independence which Congress demands would leave India at the mercy of those who would destroy all prospect of its obtaining autonomy. On the other hand, they know that Indian party disagreement is all that prevents India's obtaining complete self-government within the British Empire.

### Compromise Plan

Signs of the new movement are seen in a recent meeting of Indian Liberals and Moderates in Bombay. This meeting favoured partial adoption of a compromise plan already proposed by Lord Linlithgow, the Viceroy. Under this scheme representative

By Ernie Bushmiller

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## British Fascists' 'Holiday'

**Internment In Isle Of Wight**

Preparations are being made in the Isle of Man for the reception of 1,000 British Fascists.

It was announced in Parliament recently that they are to be interned there.

A reshuffling of the internment camps is being made to provide accommodation for them.

One camp has been cleared of its alien internees, who have been sent to other internment camps on the island.

The British Fascists are expected to arrive soon.

They will, it is believed, be subjected to the same kind of internment as the aliens, except that their military guard will be stronger.

It is likely that they will be called on to perform some kind of service.

### To Be Isolated

They will not come into contact with the alien internees, who are doing land work on the island.

It is not yet known whether Sir Oswald Mosley, leader of British Fascists, will be sent with his followers to the Isle of Man.

No special arrangements have been made for any individual internees.

The Fascists will live in boarding-houses, surrounded by barbed-wire barricades.

## Winston Churchill Is His Name

DEARBORN, MICH., June 9 (UP).—Winston Churchill has been denied admittance to the Ford Trade School because he is too old.

School superintendent Frederick E. Searle said he had written the applicant explaining that the age limit was 12 to 16.

However, the superintendent's letter did not go to No. 10 Downing Street, London, but to Ionia, Michigan.

The superintendent of the British gun, Prime Minister is 18 years old, and a graduate of the Ionia High School.

## Boy Saved Church From Destruction

Michael O'Connor, 16-year-old messenger boy with a close resemblance to Mickey Rooney, the film actor, saved a church from destruction in a big raid on London recently.

"I just had to save the church," he said, "because I sleep in the crypt there with my father. He slept for months in a 500-year-old coffin in the crypt, but it has been taken away."

Two fires were blazing on the roof. Mickey, with water and a stirrup pump, climbed up a narrow stairway. He tackled the fires so well that they were easily brought under control. About 350 people were sheltering in the crypt.

"Altogether I helped to put out nine fires," he said. "I wanted to climb on a ledge in the church itself and put out a bomb, but they would not let me. As it was, I fell through one of the windows."

### An Office Boy

Michael is an office boy with a firm of paper agents.

The area incidents officer said: "On his way to the church Mike put out four other incendiary bombs and he played a part in putting out more fires afterwards. The fire officer has commended him for his courage."

"We have had Mike with us for only a fortnight. His first job when the raid began was to take a man who had been hurt through bombs to our first-aid centre."

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## Ankara Reports Damascus Falls

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total lack of animosity. They describe the conflict as "guilt" but warn that a Frenchman's honour makes him fight.

To this extent, German propaganda has been working at top pressure and they declare with seeming sincerity that there are no German troops in Syria.

### Machine Gun Strategy

A detachment of Australians landed among French troops holding the north bank of the Leontes River are best qualified to speak of the "Pasha" fighting qualities. They tell of a new machine-gun technique which increases the value of this weapon.

Concentrated in horse-shoe nests of eight guns, they are surrounded by swarms of tree snipers and with long preparation and intensive mortar attack, they are impassable. R.A.F. fighters are not challenged by any French aircraft which have been seen over the battle area only on two or three occasions.

### Fighting Exaggerated

CAIRO, June 12 (Reuters).—While the Allies are now reaching the area where a large proportion of the troops are concentrated, Vichy combatants about "heavy fighting" are stated here to be grossly exaggerated.

It is believed in Cairo that the exaggeration may be intentional with a view to paying the way for final surrender.

There have been no reports yet of any fighting between the Free French and the Syrian French.

### Merj Ayoun Taken

LONDON, June 12 (Reuters).—It is confirmed in London that Merj Ayoun has been occupied by Allied troops.

### Defections To Allies

CAIRO, June 12 (Reuters).—French officers and men in Syria are joining the Free French in good numbers.

It is revealed here that in an effort to lighten his troops into loyalty towards Vichy, General Dentz has granted big increases in pay with the object of raising it to the level of British officers and men.

In most cases, the offer of bribe has had the opposite effect of that desired.

### Naval Units Help

LONDON, June 12 (Reuters).—Australian troops in front of Sidon have not been able yet to overcome the French resistance, according to a Vichy News Agency message this afternoon.

The message states: "Fighting is severe, accompanied by heavy and continuous bombardments of the coast by British naval units."

French troops are entrenched in the orange groves surrounding the town, states the Vichy message, adding: "Australian attacks continue uninterrupted, supported by tanks and heavy guns of a naval squadron consisting of a battleship, two cruisers and five destroyers, which have been bombarding the port for the last three days."

"Two naval units were hit by two French destroyers which went to meet them."

### Damascus Defended

The Vichy News Agency also reported: "Fighting continues to the rear of Merj Ayoun, evacuated by the French only yesterday, and troops of General Dentz occupy strong positions five to six kilometres to the rear."

"In front of Damascus, de Gaulle troops yesterday continued their attack against Kessout, 15 kilometres south of the Syrian capital, but according to the latest news these attacks have been repulsed."

It is pointed out in London that the reports of severe fighting issued by Vichy may be put out deliberately in furtherance of the Franco-German plans to alienate French sympathies from Britain.

### Arab Support

JERUSALEM, June 12 (UP).—It is now revealed that on the Trans-Jordanian frontier, an Arab unit organized under Lawrence's disciple, Major J. B. Glubb will support the Allies advancing on Syria by patrolling the advance flank in the Yarmuk region.

The spokesman stated, "The left flank of the Allied forces advancing from the road junction south of Sidon is meeting with only spasmodic isolated resistance."

### Reiterate, No Nazis

VICHY, June 12 (UP).—The United States Ambassador, Admiral Leahy conferred with Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan at 10-day regarding Syria. Both Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan renewed their assurances that there are no Germans in Syria.

## Four Medals For Squadron

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Four members of No. 82 Squadron, R.A.F., have been awarded decorations for gallantry in flying operations against the enemy.

These are the decorations and the men who won them:

D.S.O. to Acting Wing-Commander Samuel Charles Elworthy, D.F.C., A.F.C. (a New Zealander educated at Trinity College, Cambridge).

He set a tanker on fire with a direct hit off Havre, despite heavy flak fire. Returning from an attack near Flushing, he eluded two Messerschmitt 109s, although his rear gunner was wounded.

D.F.C. to Flight-Lieutenant Sidney John Monroe (born Finchley, N., educated University College, London).

He scored direct hits on a 3,000 ton ship off the Frisian Islands and got his plane safely back after a shell had burst in the cockpit, wounding him and killing the observer.

### Went on Firing

D.F.M. to Sergeant Leslie Herbert Cyril Gayler, air-gunner (born at Dies, Norfolk; used to be a half-dresser).

Although wounded, he went on firing and forced an enemy fighter to break away after attacking his plane when returning from daylight operations in the Flushing vicinity.

D.F.M. to Sergeant Robert Leslie Smith (born at Dartmouth, Devon; used to be a local government officer).

He scored two hits on a tanker off Havre, defying flak fire and brought his damaged plane safely back.

## LATE NEWS

## Allies To Fight Until Victory is Achieved

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peoples are coerced by violence into submission to domination by Germany or her associates, or live under the threat of such coercion;

(3) That the only true basis of enduring peace is the willing co-operation of free peoples in the world in which, relieved of the menace of aggression, all may enjoy economic and social security and that it is their intention to work together and with other free peoples both in war and peace to this end."

### Mr Churchill

Mr Churchill said, at the meeting of the Allied Governments in the Palace of St James's "We cannot see yet how deliverance will come or when it will come but nothing is more certain than that every trace of Hitler's footsteps and every stain of his infected and corroding fingers will be spunged and purged and, if need be, blasted from the surface of the earth."

He said that Hitler might burn and trample this way and that through tortured Europe. He might spread his course far and wide and carry his curse with him. He might break into Africa or into Asia but it was here, with this island fortress, that he would have to reckon in the end.

"We shall strive to resist by land and sea. We shall be on his track wherever he goes."

### High Purposes

"In the twenty-second month of the war against Nazism we meet here in the old palace of St James's, itself not unscathed by the fire of the enemy, in order to proclaim the high purpose and resolves of the constitutional governments of Europe whose countries have been overrun, and we meet here also to cheer the hopes of free men and free peoples throughout the world. Here before us on the table lie the titles of ten nations or states whose soil has been invaded or polluted and whose men, women and children lie prostrate or writhing under the Hitler yoke."

## Robin Moor Was Sunk By U-Boat

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opinion that the nation should not "get unnecessarily excited over the incident, or go to war over it." Reaction of the House Democratic leaders: Mr John McCormack, "It is very unfortunate but there is no reason now to get unnecessarily excited over it."

Mr Melvin Maas stated that the sinking of the Robin Moor was regrettable but there was no reason for going to war over it. Japan did the same to the Panay and not only failed to rescue the survivors but machine-gunned them afterwards and we did not go to war."

Mr James Shanley recalled that eleven ships were sunk before February 3, 1917 when the United States broke off diplomatic relations with Germany.

Mr Andrew May asserted, "We ought to convey with battleships and let the shooting start—not see who can shoot first but who can out-shoot."

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## Effective Raids On Germany

### Big Fires Left In Industrial Cities

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".  
LONDON, June 12 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced to-day that large fires were started in the industrial quarters at Duisberg and Düsseldorf during last night's raid, adding that the fires were "many and violent."

At Duisberg, large buildings in the dock area and other industrial quarters of the town were swept by fire. At Düsseldorf, oil stocks were set on fire.

The Air Ministry also stated that Cologne was among other night objectives. "One enormous fire was seen there by pilots flying back from Düsseldorf. This is evidently the fire in the northern part of the city which the navigator and pilot of the aircraft attacking Cologne described as the largest they had ever seen."

**North France Bombed**

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—R.A.F. planes were active over the Channel this afternoon. It is believed that they attacked shipping off the French coast and possibly the invasion ports.

Loud explosions shook towns on the southern coast of England.

**Hits On Ship**

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—"This afternoon, aircraft of the Bomber Command, escorted by fighters, made a successful attack on enemy shipping in the Channel," says the Air Ministry.

"Direct hits were claimed on a ship of about 1,400 tons, which was left sinking."

"One enemy fighter was shot down by one of our escorting fighters."

"None of our aircraft is missing."

There was very little enemy air activity over Britain to-day, and up to 6 p.m. G.M.T., there was no report of any bombs dropped.

## H.M.S. Ladybird Lost Off Libyan Coast

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the British warships Terror and Ladybird have been lost. The Admiralty announcement states that the next of kin of the casualties now having been informed, the Board of the Admiralty regrets to announce that H.M. ships Terror (Commander H. J. Haynes, D.S.C., R.N.) and Ladybird (Commander J. F. Blackburn, R.N.) have been lost as the result of enemy action during operations off the Libyan coast.

The Terror was one of seven monitors built during the last war for bombarding the German-occupied Belgian coast and was almost torpedo-proof. She was of 7,200 tons with two 15-inch guns of great range besides eight 4-inch and a number of anti-aircraft guns.

Special to the "Telegraph"  
LONDON, June 12 (UP).—THE FOREIGN SECRETARY, MR ANTHONY EDEN CONFERRED WITH THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO RUSSIA, SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS TO-DAY AS NEWS REPORTS INDICATED THAT A GERMAN MILITARY THREAT AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION IS IMPENDING.

## ANKARA REPORTS DAMASCUS FALLS

### Beirut Well In Sight

Special to the "Telegraph"

ANKARA, June 12 (UP).—Semi-official circles understand that the British have entered Damascus. They stated that the British force advancing through the Iraq desert yesterday occupied El Del. It is pointed out that from El Del the British could advance against Palmyra where there is an important aerodrome and oil pipeline. The move could be made simultaneously with other forces who are advancing up the Euphrates valley towards Aleppo.

### Beirut Attacked

CAIRO, June 12 (UP).—An R.A.F. communiqué states that the fleet air arm of the R.A.F. has attacked the harbour at Beirut.

### Advance Continues

CAIRO, June 12 (UP).—A reliable Arab source to-day stated that the Allied advance has reached Hasbaya, a small town between Sidon and Damascus.

The R.A.F. announced to-day that the Aleppo aerodrome was raided on the night of May 10-11. Bombs fell on dispersed aircraft on the runway and buildings causing a number of fires.

### Smothering Resistance

(BY "REUTER" ON SYRIAN COASTAL SECTOR)

June 12.—Sporadic resistance is being gradually smothered by the Australian forces marching towards Beirut and, after Tuesday's blitz over the Leontes River where a stiff encounter was turned into an Australian victory, Beirut is well in sight.

French non-combatants confirm British hopes that the Lebanon capital will not be too hard a nut to crack. No fortified lines or perimeter, they say, obstruct the route to Beirut and the port itself is completely unfortified.

### No Animosity

Between these non-combatants and their Australian captors, there is a TURN to Back Page, Column 3

## Frenchman Assassinated In Shanghai

SHANGHAI, June 13 (Reuter).—One of the leading French citizens, the well-known lawyer, M. Auzan Ruffe, was shot dead this morning when two Chinese gunmen invaded his flat in the French Concession, firing four shots, three of which lodged in the neck.

The motive is not yet known. The gunmen escaped.

### One Plane Missing

From all these operations, as well as the action over Malta and in supporting the operation which resulted in the capture of Assab yesterday, one British plane is missing, concludes the communiqué.

### HON. MR SMITH & RETIREMENT

Asked about rumours that he was shortly retiring on pension, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Colonial Secretary, told the "Telegraph" this morning that he would reach the normal retiring age of 55 in rather less than a year from now. To stay beyond that date requires the approval of the Governor in Council, subject to medical fitness.

Mr. Smith was appointed as Colonial Secretary in Hongkong in October, 1936 and took leave in 1939. He was recalled for duty on the outbreak of war after a few weeks spent in England.

It is recalled that Mr. Smith's predecessor, Sir Thomas Southern, was Colonial Secretary for ten years and left on promotion to the Governorship of Gambia at the age of 57.

### Aosta In Kenya

LONDON, June 12 (British Wireless).—According to an agency message, it is officially stated in Nairobi that the Duke of Aosta, the Italian Commander-in-Chief in Abyssinia, who surrendered to the British forces, has arrived in Kenya.

## MIDDLE EAST AIR ACTIVITY

### Widespread Action By The R.A.F.

Special to the "Telegraph"

CAIRO, June 12 (Reuter).—In Syria, British aircraft have been giving full support to the advancing Imperial and Free French troops.

An R.A.F. Middle East communiqué to-day states: "Aleppo aerodrome was raided on the night of June 10-11, bombs falling on the dispersed aircraft on the runways and buildings, causing a number of fires."

Shipping in the harbour of Beirut was attacked by the R.A.F. and Fleet Air Arm. One Vichy aircraft was shot down."

### North Africa

The communiqué also reports the continuation of attacks on enemy concentrations in North Africa yesterday. Considerable damage was inflicted on motor transport and troops "in the Gazala-Capuzzo and El Adem regions."

During the night of June 10-11, enemy aerodromes were attacked in Gazala and Gambut.

"Heavy bombers raided Benghazi and inflicted damage on shipping in the harbour and several merchant ships lie sunk in the harbour as part of the result of recent bombing attacks."

"Enemy aircraft on Berka aerodrome were machine-gunned, and a number were badly damaged."

### Not Lead To War

WASHINGTON, June 12 (Reuter).—The announcement that the Robin Moor was knowingly sunk by a German submarine is expected by careful observers here to have nation-wide repercussions.

That the Administration regards the incident seriously could be judged by Mr. Sumner Welles' statement. The impression of many is that Mr. Welles' statement is probably the first step in preparing the stage for big developments though few think that it will lead directly to war.

### Cargo Described

WASHINGTON, June 12 (UP).—Mr. Stephen Early, the President's Secretary, told the press to-day: "You will remember the other day, you were requested that judgment of the sinking of the Robin Moor be withheld. That request is now withdrawn. There seems to be no longer any reason to reserve judgment."

Mr. Sumner Welles stated that the cargo consisted of hundreds of items ranging from steel rails to women's lingerie—chemicals, radio sets, etcetera. There is still no definite information regarding the manner in which the passengers were embarked in the life boats, whether the Robin Moor was fired on without warning, and likewise no data regarding visibility when the attack occurred.

This is the first instance of an American vessel being sunk by direct belligerent action since the start of the war. The City of Rayville which was sunk in the Strait off Australia presumably struck a mine.

### Congressional Reaction

The first Congressional reaction, regretted the sinking but were of the TURN to Back Page, Column 5

One report received at a foreign Embassy stated that 75 German divisions are concentrated on the Soviet-Polish frontier and another 25 divisions in Rumania in addition to between 20 and 25 Rumanian divisions. It is stated that the Soviets are frantically fortifying Bessarabia, ploughing up the roads near the frontier.

Soviet sources admit that it is probably true that heavy forces are being concentrated on the frontier, they assert that Germany will not attack the Soviets or succeed in scaring them into giving important concessions by negotiation.

The latest reports of German intentions from Turkish circles say that Hitler demands facilities at the Soviet Black Sea ports at Poti and Batoum so that he can send his army direct to the Caucasus from Rumania without crossing the Ukraine. From the Caucasus, the Germans could invade Iran and Iraq and threaten the British right flank in the Near East.

## U. S. Petrol Rationing Indicated

### Threatened Famine

WASHINGTON, June 12 (Reuter).—Petrol restrictions for the eastern states of the United States appear inevitable, Mr. Harold Ickes, Secretary of the Interior, told the press to-day.

He hoped to have a plan for civilian conservation of oil ready in the next week or two.

He revealed that he had asked the Maritime Commission to advise him which American-owned tankers were now flying foreign flags and whether these could be pressed into service to relieve the threatened oil famine on the east coast.

### Will Supply Japan

Oil trade sources said that they were convinced that Mr. Ickes' plan to avert a threatened oil shortage this winter would also permit the continuation of oil shipments to Japan.

It is estimated that Japan is receiving about 1,000,000 barrels a month from the United States, excluding aviation spirit.

### Malta Downs Ten Nazis

MALTA, June 12 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that ten enemy aircraft were shot down over Malta to-day and that another was unlikely to reach its base while others were probably damaged.

An official statement describes how this morning a strong enemy force was broken up by accurate anti-aircraft gunfire and was then engaged by R.A.F. fighters, resulting in five being shot down into the sea and another probably destroyed.

A second force attempted to reach Malta in the afternoon but was driven off by R.A.F. fighters, five more being sent hurtling into the sea.

WASHINGTON, June 12 (Reuter).—The announcement that the Robin Moor was knowingly sunk by a German submarine is expected by careful observers here to have nation-wide repercussions.

That the Administration regards the incident seriously could be judged by Mr. Sumner Welles' statement. The impression of many is that Mr. Welles' statement is probably the first step in preparing the stage for big developments though few think that it will lead directly to war.

### Cargo Described

WASHINGTON, June 12 (UP).—Mr. Stephen Early, the President's Secretary, told the press to-day: "You will remember the other day, you were requested that judgment of the sinking of the Robin Moor be withheld. That request is now withdrawn. There seems to be no longer any reason to reserve judgment."

Mr. Sumner Welles stated that the cargo consisted of hundreds of items ranging from steel rails to women's lingerie—chemicals, radio sets, etcetera. There is still no definite information regarding the manner in which the passengers were embarked in the life boats, whether the Robin Moor was fired on without warning, and likewise no data regarding visibility when the attack occurred.

This is the first instance of an American vessel being sunk by direct belligerent action since the start of the war. The City of Rayville which was sunk in the Strait off Australia presumably struck a mine.

### Congressional Reaction

The first Congressional reaction, regretted the sinking but were of the TURN to Back Page, Column 5

## Bulls-Eyes For R.A.F.

The brilliant accuracy of the R.A.F. bombers in their raids against enemy objectives has been a feature of the war. This official photograph taken during a raid on Asmara illustrates the effectiveness of the British bombing: (2) hangars directly hit and left with holes in the roofs, (3) demolished buildings, (4) damaged hangars, (5) large devastated area, buildings completely demolished, (6) damaged motor transport buildings, (7) bombs bursting during the actual attack, (8) aircraft on fire.



## Batavia Parleys Believed Doomed

Special to the "Telegraph"

TOKYO, June 12 (UP).—Mr. Yoshizawa has reported by radio-telephone that he has decided to leave Batavia by plane on June 29 without further conferences with the Dutch East Indies authorities unless Mr. Matsukata, the Foreign Minister, instructs otherwise.

He stated that the Dutch officials' "stiffened attitude is leaving no room for a compromise," and concurrently public opinion is "intense" and firmly supporting the Dutch officials.

## No New Zealand Regrets

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WELLINGTON, June 12 (Reuter).—The New Zealand Parliament to-day passed a resolution moved by the Acting Prime Minister, Mr. Walter Nash, expressing admiration for the courage, tenacity and determination of New Zealanders in Greece and Crete and confidence in General Freyberg, V.C., who commanded the Crete garrison forces.

Defending the decision to send New Zealanders to Greece and Crete, Mr. Nash said that he believed that these campaigns were essential from the viewpoint of the larger strategy involved and that if the men were asked to do the same thing again in like circumstances, they would want to do so.

The effort made by these men had had splendid results which, though not so good as they could have been, were justified, necessary and worthwhile.

No Government could have given the subject closer consideration. Everything was weighed as well as possible in advance. Success might have shortened the war by over a year.

WASHINGTON, June 12 (UP).—The "Nichi Nichi" to-day asserted that the withdrawal of the Japanese delegation from Batavia would strengthen the Japanese determination to make the N.E.I. an "important element" in her advocated East Asia co-prosperity sphere.

The nationalistic "Hochi Shimbun" is demanding immediate withdrawal because the delay would be detrimental to Japan's prestige and urged the Japanese Government to quickly take the "most effective measures" in coping with the resulting situation.

The paper said that the N.E.I. resources should not be monopolised by the Netherlands, Britain, or the United States. The N.E.I. should remember that Japan will not hesitate to undergo any sacrifices in order to realise the "co-prosperity programme" irrespective of the attitude of the N.E.I. or third Powers.

## Clocks Forward At Midnight, Saturday

It was officially stated this morning that Daylight Saving in Hongkong will come into operation at midnight on Saturday.

At that time the Colony's clocks will be advanced one hour.

## New Assurance About Our A.R.P. Tunnels

Reference to the recent disaster in an air raid tunnel in Chungking when over 700 people died of suffocation, was made by Wing-Commander A.H.S. Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions, at a Press conference this morning, when he stated that he did not think that an accident of a similar nature could occur in any of the Hongkong tunnels, as special provision had been made for adequate ventilation in the local shelters.

He explained that the tunnels in Hongkong were solidly built and ventilated by the duct system by Diesel engines installed inside the tunnels, and added that even in the event of engine failure there would be sufficient draught ventilation to prevent any such catastrophe here.

The lighting, he said, was by hurricane lamps kept in a niche specially built for the purpose.

With reference to the Chungking disaster, the A.R.P. Director said he was expecting further details as to how it happened, after the inquiry now being conducted in Chungking had been completed.



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## War Supply Extension

### Duncan On Scheme

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—A programme of development which will provide "substantial assistance not only to the United Kingdom but to all countries in the Eastern Group" was mentioned in the House of Commons to-day by the Minister of Supply, Sir Andrew Duncan, reporting on the successful mission which led to the establishment of the so-called Eastern Group Supply Council at the end of last year to co-ordinate the production of munitions and stores to meet the requirements of local and Imperial fighting forces.

The Group comprises India, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Far East and East Africa colonies as well as Palestine and Ceylon.

Sir Andrew Duncan said that the Government of India was now proceeding actively to implement the Council's recommendations for the expansion of war supplies production in India.

### The Hongkong Telegraph Eleventh Annual Amateur Photographic Competition

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  - The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the Hongkong Telegraph.
  - All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.
  - No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.
  - All entries to be either black, sepia, or tinted pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.
  - Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.
  - No picture to be entered in more than one Section.
  - Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes—10x12, 10x20.
  - No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
  - Members of the Staff of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.
  - The decision of the Judges shall be final.
  - At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to competitors on application at the Telegraph office within seven days.
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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of The Macao Jockey Club will be held at its Registered Office, 3rd Floor, Prince's Building, Des Vaux Road, Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, the 27th day of June, 1941, at 4 p.m.

By Order of the Stewards,  
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Hong Kong, 13th June, 1941.

### HONG KONG MINES, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, First Floor, Gloucester Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, the 30th day of June, 1941, at 10 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1940.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday, the 16th June, 1941 to Monday, the 30th June, 1941, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
E. M. SANDO,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 11th June, 1941.

### THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LIMITED.

#### Notice to Shareholders

The Sixtieth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 25th June, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 11th June to the 25th June, 1941, both days inclusive.

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General Agents.  
Hong Kong, 4th June, 1941.

### G. R.

**PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS** of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 16th day of June, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

#### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet.	Ann. Rent.	Upset Price
1	100	at Cheung Sha Wan	N. S. E. W.	about 6,000	\$2	\$401
				as per sale plan.		

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$401.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

### BORIS VISITS MUSSOLINI

ROME, June 12 (UP).—It is officially announced that Mussolini received King Boris of Bulgaria at the Venice Palace where they conversed for two hours.

### G. R.

**PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS** of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 16th day of June, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shek Shan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

#### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet.	Ann. Rent.	Upset Price
1	100	at Shek Shan	N. S. E. W.	about 4,275	\$3	\$356
				as per sale plan.		

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$3,096.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

### G. R.

**PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS** of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 16th day of June, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

#### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet.	Ann. Rent.	Upset Price
1	100	at To Kwa Wan	N. S. E. W.	about 4,900	\$2	\$370
				as per sale plan.		

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$372.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

### NOTICE

**DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940**

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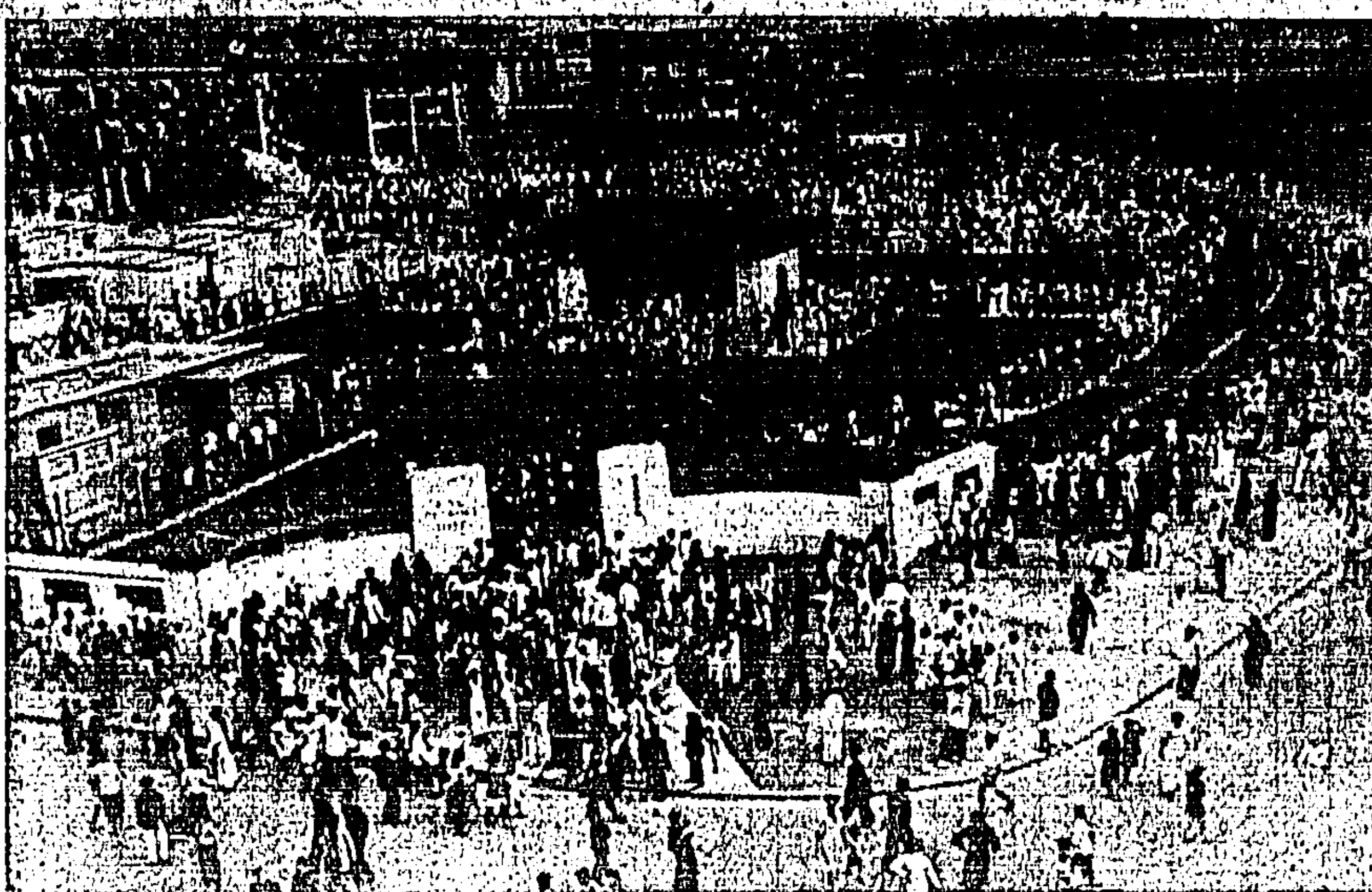
25 cents Saturdays.

### Imperial Conference

WELLINGTON, June 12 (Reuter).—Mr Peter Fraser, the Prime Minister of New Zealand, while in London will discuss such matters as holding an Imperial Conference.

This was announced by the Acting Prime Minister, Mr W. Nash, in reply to a question to-day.

Mr Nash added that Mr Fraser would communicate with the New Zealand Government later regarding this question.



General view of the King George's Field near the Jordan Road ferry, Kowloon, formally opened on Wednesday by the Hon. Mr N. L. Smith, showing the large crowd that inspected the new park after the official ceremony. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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## Atlantic Air Route From Eire

### Possible Concession

#### SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 12 (Domei).—Irish sources revealed that Mr de Valera, Eire Premier, refused to permit the United States to use Eire's seaports or airports as a stepping-stone for the transportation of war supplies to Britain. These sources said that Mr de Valera felt that the use of any part of southern Eire for such purposes would open the country to Nazi air attacks as a legitimate military target.

It is understood, however, that Mr de Valera may agree to the establishment of a terminus in Eire for the trans-Atlantic passenger service. It is reliably reported that the United States is speeding arrangements for a direct air link with Britain because of the fear of Nazi moves in the Western Mediterranean and Atlantic soon possibly severing the present connection via the Azores and Lisbon.



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The usual weekly Air Mail to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways" will until further notice be closed on Mondays instead of Fridays.

An experimental service providing sea transit to U.S.A. and air transit from U.S.A. to Lisbon and United Kingdom has been instituted. The inclusive postage rate is HK\$2.00 per 1/2 oz. for letters and HK\$1.00 each for postcards. Correspondence for this service should bear the usual blue air mail label with the super-scription "By sea to U.S.A."

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:—Yunnan, Szechuen, Kweichow, Hunan, Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangsu), Kwangsi, North and East of Kwangtung.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

#### INWARD AIR MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, June 10..... June 17.  
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 24th June..... July 1.

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Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways".  
K.F.O. and G.P.O.  
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Ord. .... June 16, 4.30 p.m.  
Tuesday, June 17  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".

K.F.O.  
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Ord. .... June 17, 5.30 p.m.  
G.P.O.  
Reg. .... June 17, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... June 17, 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, July 1  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".

K.F.O.  
Reg. .... July 1, Noon.  
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### DAYLIGHT SAVING

DAYLIGHT saving at last! For years Hongkong has wanted it and agitated for it, but the die-hards always succeeded in stopping it; now, ironically enough, a war has intervened to make it a reality overnight. The measure is not likely immediately to attain 100 per cent popularity; it will necessitate certain readjustments to the daily life of the Colony and this is bound to produce protests until adaptability asserts itself. But the benefits to be derived from extra daylight are sufficiently compensating as the European countries have known for the past 25 years.

The idea of putting the clocks forward originated in England in 1916. The measure was revised in 1924 and made permanent in 1925. At the present time, because of the war, Britain's clocks are two hours ahead of the sun, constituting an important part of the fight the nation is waging against the dictators.

Daylight Saving is being introduced to Hongkong primarily as a defence measure; it will save fuel and power and will facilitate military training. It promises other benefits; more time for open air recreation, another hour for work in the garden. To thousands of people here daylight saving will offer a boon, and although inconveniences to start with are inevitable, these are bound to be outweighed by other considerations.

It is proposed that daylight saving shall be one hour in what can be broadly called the summer, and half an hour during the winter. This is reasonable and meets an overwhelmingly popular demand. It is extremely doubtful whether, once the system becomes operative, it will ever be discarded. Daylight to the average man is very precious; he has a great hunger for it, and putting the clocks forward is one way—artificial it is true—of satiating his hunger.

The introduction of daylight saving in Hongkong is warmly approved.

# Belgian Empire's Share In Britain's War Effort

**M. ALBERT DE VLEESCHAUWER**, Belgian Minister of Colonies, who left London last December to tour his country's vast African empire, has returned to Britain after a journey of more than 30,000 miles.

I talked with him in his office in Belgravia. He looked well, though tired. He is a man in his early forties, who saw the last war as a soldier and is a professor of law in his own country. I know him as a very staunch friend of Britain.

My first question, to one who had been seeing Britain's war effort from a distance as it were, was what impressions he had gained.

He smiled. "That's easy to answer. London is, more than ever before, the heart of the civilised world as we understand it. You have the sympathy and support of all the free peoples of the world. Even in the neutral countries there is no doubt as to the outcome of the struggle. I found everywhere the same feeling, the same confidence in the future."

The Minister then turned to the subject of his tour.

### Resolve Of Free Men

"In the Belgian Congo there are Belgians who still are free, whose ways of life are similar to yours, whose general outlook is the same. Having been born free men, they are determined to die free men. For this no sacrifice can ever be too great. There are no Quislings in the Belgian Congo. Any who had such tendencies, as well as the enemy aliens who were established there, have been put out of harm's way. There may be enemy propaganda, but it is not noticeable and cuts no ice."

Germans and Italians had been fairly active before most of them were locked up (largely on M. de Vleeschauwer's initiative).

"In what were formerly German East African possessions and are now the mandated Belgian territories of Ruanda and Urundi, the native population of some 3,000,000 suffered from neglect, maladministration and even starvation under German rule, but now they are prosperous, healthy and happy."

"There, as in the Belgian Congo, the natives roundly condemn Naziism. 'If that went on 'is well under way,' is how Hitler treats white people," their delegates would say to me, 'what could we expect if he were victorious?'"

### Colonials In Action

I asked for some account of Belgium's war effort.

"Take first our military co-operation," replied M. de Vleeschauwer. "You know that after losing one army in the battle of Belgium, our second army, in process of reconstruction in France, was caught there as a result of the French financial. It provides that all surplus production—and it is substantial—shall be ceded to Britain."

## Colonial Minister on the Purpose of His African tour—An interview with M. Albert de Vleeschauwer, by George Soloveytschik

our troops in this country, and against British sterling. That their number will increase as the new recruits called up under the general mobilisation orders come along. We have, too, our pilots in the R.A.F. They have done well already and have a respectable number of victories to their credit.

"Certain troops of the Belgian Colonial Forces have already gone forward and are co-operating alongside the forces of the British Empire under the command of Gen. Wavell. It was this which was one of the main reasons of my voyage. It is not only a direct contribution to the Allied war effort but also, indirectly, a means of defending Belgian Congo territory."

"Within the last few days these troops have been the subject of special mention for gallantry. 'It is indeed a great satisfaction to all Belgians established in the Congo to know that our men have been given the opportunity to pull their weight in that great campaign.'"

"And our effort has only just started. It will be increased as and when necessary in accordance with the technical possibilities. Our men are ready and fit, and keenly anxious to join the fighting line."

"They are being trained in modern weapons and showing astounding aptitude. Our native soldiers can take to bits and put together again the most complicated machine-gun, blindfold."

"We have also done something else which is important. Not only have we made possible the passage of South African troops through our territory but we are also organising and expanding transport facilities for Allied forces. Our policy is one of complete co-operation. We do not intend to depart from it."

### Ships And Resources

"There comes next the contribution of our merchant fleet, manned by Belgian seamen. 'We have, as you know, an agreement with Britain by which the whole of it, including the ships which formerly served the Congo Line, is time chartered to your Ministry of Shipping. We had asked for the ships formerly used for that line to be kept on it as far as possible, not only because they are specially adapted for the service but because they are needed; but in the past few months the strain imposed on British shipping has deprived some countries of the facilities they need. The Belgian Congo must, I fear, be included in that category. In discussing these problems with the British Government, however, we have met with sympathetic consideration and seen a very sincere desire to readjust the position. It is now improving.'"

"The Belgian Congo's co-operation in the economic and financial fields," the Minister went on "is well under way. You probably know of the two agreements between the British Government and ourselves. 'One provides for purchases to be made by the United Kingdom in the Belgian Congo. All the products specified (with possibly one small exception) are essential to your country in connection with the war effort. We do not want you to buy things you do not need, and so operation,' replied M. de Vleeschauwer. 'You know that markets elsewhere for those things which we use to sell in Europe. 'The other agreement is that all surplus production—and it is substantial—shall be ceded to Britain.'"

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It was to Leopoldville that M. de Vleeschauwer flew from Lisbon at the outset of his journey. Standing in front of a great map he pointed out to me his itinerary.

"First, I spent some time in the Lower Congo district," he said. "There I was able to get in touch at once with our French friends and neighbours who are co-operating so valiantly under the standard of Free France."

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## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You been six weeks in the army, Hubert—is it true that we can be successfully invaded?"







# Aquatic Stars Maintain Form Throughout Winter

## Brilliant Performances By Chinese Swimmers In Recent Galas Water-Polo Popularity

(By "Tinker")

WHAT BASEBALLERS would call "spring season form" among swimmers has been nothing if not surprising, for from the few galas that have already been held the fact emerges that local swimmers are ready to carry on from where they left off at the end of last year.

It indicates, of course, training throughout the winter, and if such is the enthusiasm there is every reason to look forward to as successful a swimming season as the last.

There are rumours of trouble among the Chinese camps, which, I understand, follows on the migration of several of South China's aquatic stars to the banner of Sing Tao. This latter Club seems to have a vast attraction, for one still remembers how footballers from several Clubs flocked to its standard, but one remembers, too, the consequent furor.

There are also rumours of a boycott, but it is hoped that it will not affect the combined V.R.C.-Y.M.C.A. V. combined Chinese gala that has tentatively arranged for the end of this month. This will be in aid of the War and Charities. Among Sing Tao's acquisitions are Tommy Kew, Enrique Chan, and Ng Nin from South China and Chung Sing, and they are certainly an un- beatable combination among the Chinese swimmers. They proved this at the recent three-day gala organized by the Hongkong and Kowloon Tennis Union Club held at Laidlaw. They won all the relay races, and established a new China National record for the 200 metres on 1 min. 55 secs.

LAI Tsun Swimming Union have the old brigade of Chan Chun-nam, Lau Tai-ping, Yau Sui-kwan, Tsang Cheong-ming, Lau Yiu-ting and Fong Chong-yi. Little need be said of Chan Chun-nam, last year's wonder of the Open Championships, except that he has been in training throughout the winter. Of his team-mates, Lau Tai-ping has shown great improvement. Over the quarter mile, both he and Yau Sui-kwan are second string, but in the furlong, it is said, he is capable of extending and possibly of beating the "legless" wonder.

FROM these will be chosen the team to meet the combined V.R.C.-Y.M.C.A. The latter team, of course, will be mainly comprised of V.R.C. swimmers, for though David Hutchinson has teamed up with the "Y", it is his intention to turn out for the V.R.C. in all representative galas. Charles Huang is back in Hongkong, and with D.H. Taylor, Lionel Roza Pereira, L. M. Remedios and W. Lawrence will form the nucleus of the combined team.

OF the women (girls if you wish), Vivienne Churn and Jacqueline Anderson are reported suffering from water on the knee, the results of hockey and football, and they have not yet been seen in training. Celeste Gutierrez, the girl who gave such an astonishing performance over the distance and the harbour race last year, is as good as ever, if not improved, and great hopes are held out for her this year.

But outstanding performance of the new season has been Ho Wai-kin's time of 1 min. 22 secs for the 100 metres at the aforementioned three-day meet at Laidlaw. This bettered the National Record established by Yeung Sau-king at Shanghai in 1935, that time being 1 min. 23 secs.

L. Sadick also broke a National record in covering the 100 metres backstroke in 1 min. 30.2 secs, bettering Yeung Sau-king's time of 1 min. 37.4 secs at the same National Meet in 1935. Little has been heard of the other girls, but there must be lots to come.

IN preparation, the V.R.C. are holding their first intra-Club gala tomorrow night at 9 p.m. and not 8 p.m. as previously stated. The heats were swum Wednesday, and following the swimming to-morrow there will be dancing to the music of Mickey's Melody Makers.

I wrote a little while ago on the popular hold that the Water-polo tournament has taken on the Colony, and at a meeting held the other night, the following points were decided upon:

That if a player is within the two-yard area but not within playing distance of the goal, he will not be put out of the water if and when the ball is played at the goal. It will be realized that in a case of this kind that the referee must be the sole judge of whether or not a player is influencing play by being within the area.

This rule will apply most so in the Army and Navy pools where the width of the baths does not permit a player being within the two-yard area without influencing play.

On the question of carry, the practice of referees blowing up for carrying the ball should be discontinued as Clubs all over the world eliminated this ruling some years ago.

There will be a Referees Class with blackboard instruction at the Y.M.C.A. pool on Wednesday next at 7.30 p.m.

## PROBABLE STARTERS FOR SUBSTITUTE DERBY

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Alterations to the probable starters for the Derby Substitute have been made and the present list is as follows:

Annaton (S. Wragg), Camperdown (Lowry), Chantus (L. Rose), Firoze Din (Stephenson), Owen Tudor (Nevett), Sunny Island (Cliff Richards), Thoroughfare (A. Wragg), Guerdley (Jones), Mazarin (Bart-lum), Devonian (Perryman), Selim Hassan (Beary), Solium (Voldin), Harbert, Startwort (Tay-lor), Morogoro (H. Wragg), Sun-castle (Beasley), Orthodox (D. Smith), Sunray (Mullins), Ptolemy (E. Smith), Lambert Simmel (Elliot), Fairy Prince (Lane).

Horses without jockeys are Royal Academy and Single Court.

Doubtful runners are Fettes and Mr Sawyer.

## Lambert Simmel Still Favourite

The latest call-over for the Derby is as follows: Lambert Simmel 4/1 (offered); Morogoro 6/1 (offered); Sun Castle 5/1 (offered); Chantus 10/1 (offered); Devonian 100/8 (offered); Ptolemy 100/8 (offered); Orthodox 100/7 (offered); Startwort 100/7 (offered); Fairy Prince 100/7 (offered); Thoroughfare 100/7 (offered); Guerdley 25/1 (offered); Owen Tudor 25/1 (offered); Mazarin 25/1 (offered); Royal Academy 25/1 (offered); Camperdown 25/1 (offered); Sunny Island 25/1 (offered); Fettes 25/1 (offered); Annaton 25/1 (offered); Single Court 50/1 (offered).

## Four-Minute Mile American Runners Approach Record-Shattering Time

THE FEATURE of the big American Indoor Games series held recently was the continuance of the extraordinary miling pet up in recent years by Cunningham, Bonthron, Venzke and Romani, with a new quartette of youngsters in Leslie Mac-Mitchell, Walter Mehl, John Munski and Charles Fenske.

## League Tennis

## Overwhelming Victories In "D" Division

FOUR MATCHES in the "D" Division of the Tennis League were played yesterday and resulted in overwhelming victories in three of the four games on schedule. Chinese R.C. trounced the Indian Recreation Club 9-0. South China trampled on the Army 8 1/2-1/2. The Filipino Club beat Post Office "A" 8-1, and in the last match, Indian R.C. beat Post Office "B" 6-3.

The Craigengower-Central British Assn match was postponed.

Scores were:

Post Office "B" 3 I.R.C. 6. Playing at home, Post Office Recreation Club "B" lost to Indian Recreation Club 3-6. Chan Chung-ji and Lai Fat lost to M. Hassan and K. Nazari 1-6; lost to M. Hassan and K. Nazari 4-6; lost to G. Singh and A. J. Sumad 0-6. D. Leonard and D. G. McPherson beat Hassan and Nazari 6-4; beat Razak and Hussain 6-3; beat Singh and Sumad 6-3. Two Kwok-fai and Lam Choe-chung lost to Hassan and Nazari 2-6; lost to Razak and Hussain 0-6; lost to Singh and Sumad 3-6.

## C.R.C. 9 K.I.T.C. 0

At Causeway Bay, Chinese Recreation Club trounced Indian Tennis Club 9-0. F. L. Wong and T. Y. Liang beat Y. J. Khan and K. S. Mohal 6-3; beat S. Ramchand and J. Dad 6-3; beat Jaget Singh and U. S. Zermal 6-3. C. N. Tsang and T. F. Choi beat Khan and Mohal 6-3; beat Ramchand and Dad 6-3; beat Singh and Sumad 6-3. C. Y. Tso and Chan Yiu beat Khan and Mohal 6-3; beat Ramchand and Dad 6-3; beat Singh and Sumad 6-3.

## Filipinos 8 Post Office "A" 1

Playing at home the Filipino Club beat Post Office "A" 8-1. D. Poon and P. Poon beat B. S. Chin and S. H. Chan 6-3; beat W. Wong and Fung 6-3; beat J. Howlett and R. Morrison 6-4. G. Gonzalez and L. S. Wei beat Chin and Chin 6-3; beat Wong and Fung 6-3; lost to Howlett and Morrison 6-7. T. B. Ito and S. S. Souse beat Chin and Chin 6-3; beat Wong and Fung 6-3; beat Howlett and Morrison 6-2.

## S. China 8 1/2 Army 1 1/2

At King's Park, South China beat Army Tennis Club 8 1/2-1 1/2. W. M. Mok and Y. Y. Kwok beat S. H. Poon and L. C. P. Lim 6-4; beat S. P. 6-3.

## Major Baseball

## N. Y. Giants Whitewash Chicago Cubs

NEW YORK, June 12 (UP).—New York Giants whitewashed Chicago Cubs 2-0 in the National Baseball League to-day. Cincinnati Reds nosed out Boston Braves 1-0. Scores were:

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	0	0	3
Batteries: Lee, McCullough.			
New York	2	0	2
Batteries: Hubbell, Danning.			
Cincinnati	1	0	1
Batteries: Derringer, West.			
Boston	0	0	0
Batteries: Johnson, Berres, Masl.			

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Boston	4	11	1
Batteries: Dobson, Fleming, Dickman, Pytalak.			
St. Louis	0	0	1
Batteries: R. Harris, Muncie, Swift.			
Philadelphia	5	11	1
Batteries: Beckman, Harris, Hayes.			
Detroit	0	0	1
Batteries: Gornick, Benton, Sullivan.			

The Washington-Cleveland game was washed out by rain.

## Billiards-Snooker

## Exhibitions At Recreo For B.W.O.F.

A BILLIARDS AND SNOOKER exhibition in aid of the British War Organisation Fund will be held at Club de Recreo, Kowloon, on Friday, June 27, commencing at 8.45 p.m.

The programme will be: Billiards match (300 points up) between A. J. Osmund, Colony Champion, and E. D. Bush, Shanghai Ex-Champion.

Snooker match (three frames) between A. P. Pereira Jr., Recreo Champion, and M. N. Rakusen, Civil Service Cricket Club.

An exhibition of fancy and trick shots by C. Terran.

Tickets at \$2 and \$1 are obtainable at all clubs.

(to): Valdavan 50/1 (to): Firoze Din 100/1 (to): Mister Sawyer 100/1 (to): Selim Hassan 33/1 (to).—Reuter.

## Pendulum Struggle

Two 2's, however, brought Drew and partner back into the fray, leaving them one shot behind on the 19th end. A single for the K.C.C. and then a 2 for the Bowling Green players put them on level terms at 20-all on the 21st end.

The extra head opened tensely. Dixon drew three fine woods to the jack for a count of three, but with his last, Guest edged in a beauty to claim the tie.

The skips went down but Drew failed to remove the shot which gave Guest and Madar a one-shot victory.

## Valley Match

U. A. and A. H. Rumjahn had a very easy time against C. F. Needham and A. Brooksbank at the Police green. The losers scored a 4 on the 6th and then a 5 on the 20th.

The first big count brought the score level at 5-0, but the five on the 20th had little effect as the Rumjahns were by then leading 23-0.

## To-day's Matches

To-day's Pairs Championship matches will be as follows: Kowloon Football Club—K. C. Hamilton and A. M. Holland v. H. Brokenshire and A. Zimmerman; J. W. Leonard and W. Ward v. R. P. Phillips and J. McKelvie.

Craigengower—G. J. Perkins and W. Mair v. J. V. Ramsey and R. Morrison.

Kowloon Bowling Green—W. C. Ogley and T. Fergusson v. L. J. Silva and J. F. V. Ribeiro; A. A. Dand and W. V. Field v. D. Hung and F. R. Zimmerman.

Hongkong Football Club—D. A. Rozario and J. S. Landolt v. M. F. Alarcon and L. F. Xavier; W. Colledge and E. Kirman v. W. B. Harris and A. Souter.

Civil Service—M. A. Baptista and G. S. Ladd v. W. Williamson and C. S. M. Thom; W. E. Webber and W. C. Higgs v. J. J. Dasto and C. H. Dasto.

Recreo—E. C. Fincher and A. W. Ramsey v. W. L. Walker and R. Duncan; B. A. Mansell and P. C. Morgan v. W. G. McMaster and M. Fergusson.

Kowloon Cricket Club—J. A. Remedios and L. A. Gutierrez v. A. Lapsley and R. Ogden; J. S. Riddell and J. C. Aitken v. A. F. Noronha and A. M. Rodrigues.

## Filipino Club Dinner

The Filipino Club is holding a dinner party on Saturday next to bid farewell to Mr L. R. Hicofano, who is being permanently transferred to Manila.

Mr Hicofano is one of the founders of the Club and has been a member of the Committee or one of its officers for the last 23 years.

Play and L. Cpl. Glasgow 6-1; beat L. Trepman and S. L. Chung beat Ford and Stoner 6-3; beat Eley and Glasgow 6-0; beat Trepman and Mitchell 6-3. S. Yau and C. M. Tang drew with Ford and Stoner 6-6; beat Eley and Glasgow 6-3; beat Trepman and Mitchell 6-3.



The Craigengower-K.B.G.C. "A" senior bowls match in progress. H. Lockhart (Bowling Green) bowling with H. White, Y. A. Razack, W. K. Way, R. P. Phillips and J. S. Landolt watching.—Ming Yuen.

## Lawn Bowls

## Exciting Pairs Match At Kowloon F.C.

## Guest-Madar Win On Extra Head

TWO MATCHES in the Open Pairs Lawn Bowls Championship were played yesterday, one at the Kowloon Football Club and the other at the Police R. C. In the first, T. A. Madar and A. E. P. Guest beat V. C. Dixon and H. E. Drew 21-20 on the extra head played, while in the second U. A. and A. H. Rumjahn easily beat C. F. Needham and A. Brooksbank 24-14.

The Kowloon F.C. game was definitely the better of the two. Guest and Madar got away to a fine start and had scored 9 shots before Dixon and Drew registered a single. From 9-1 the score went to 12-4, at which period Dixon and Drew scored 3, 0, 3 and 4 to take the lead at 14-13!

The green was on the fast side, and both the Bowling Green players had its measure. But once more the Kowloon C.C. combination shot off into a lead that seemed to put the odds much in their favour when they registered 1, 3 and 2 to lead 19-14 on the 17th end.

## Society Match Postponed

The lawn bowls match arranged for this evening between the Hongkong Electric and the Society of Yorkshiresmen in Hongkong has been postponed.

Recreo beat Kowloon Tong 50-40: J. A. Luz, F. P. Sequiera, C. E. Marques, C. G. Silva beat H. Gittins, T. K. Lim, W. J. Howard, A. Spary 19-15.

F. X. Soares, A. Ferreira, J. A. Remedios, F. V. V. Ribeiro beat A. Madar, A. E. H. Castro, T. L. Stephenson, J. A. Kew 27-11.

A. J. Osmund, G. R. Remedios, C. H. Basto, F. X. Silva lost to H. A. Castro, P. Phoon, J. Tang, J. N. Wong 10-20.

## Recreo 67 K.C.C. 48

Recreo beat Kowloon C.C. 67-48. L. A. Rozario, C. A. Marques, D. C. Alves, B. Basto beat R. S. Capell, R. J. Fenton, A. H. Marston, Lloyd 35-20. C. F. Rozario, E. A. R. Alves, C. A. Lopes, Ed Sousa beat R. Broadbridge, H. Langley, R. Leigh, Steven 21-10.

G. A. Pereira, M. Gutierrez, O. P. Remedios, C. Roza-Pereira lost to S. H. Spary, E. C. Curtis, A. W. Smith, E. C. Fincher 13-23.

## Kowloon F.C. League Rinks

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon F. C. in the Lawn Bowls League to-morrow:

SECOND DIVISION  
B. D. Evans, A. A. Dand, V. Chittenden, W. C. Simpson (skip), W. Nae, A. Eastman, C. Downman, E. Kern (skip), A. Lapsley, V. Altanza, P. Youngusband, W. V. Field (skip).

THIRD DIVISION  
B. Thomson, S. C. Wong, C. H. Fuller, T. Fergusson (skip), G. E. Cross, C. Woodcock, A. Macintyre, R. M. Ogden (skip), R. Higgins, G. Frost, Y. Abbas, J. T. Smalley (skip).

Reserves—W. C. Ogley and W. Sera-phina.

## Fanling Golf Starting Times

Sunday  
OLD COURSE  
0.15 J. A. Blackwood, S. L. Lloyd.  
0.20 I. H. Geare, P. E. Annis.  
0.24 A. M. Kennedy, G. G. Aitkenhead.  
0.28 G. W. Behrman, J. Wilson.  
0.32 M. A. Annett, J. B. Harrison.  
0.36 S. B. Church, D. C. Baldwin.  
0.40 A. W. Dourne, J. A. Farrlain.  
0.44 Lieut. Carter, G. T. Harrington.  
0.48 R. S. W. Paterson, A. B. Purves.  
10.12 A. K. Mackenzie, F. D. Hunter.  
10.32 W. J. E. Mackenzie, M. L. Reidy.

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# NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



## RELEASE CLAUSE IN MATRIMONY

NAIROBI, June 12 (Reuter).—"I want you to tell the Judge and jury whether you had anything directly or indirectly to do with the death of the Earl of Erroll," said Counsel when Sir Delves Broughton, charged with the murder of Lord Erroll, entered the witness box after the Judge's rejection of the plea that there was no case to answer.

Sir Delves, referring to his service in the last war, said that he had a pensionable disability from the effects of sunstroke, one of which rendered him unable to drive at night.

He spoke of a pre-marriage agreement with his present wife that if either fell in love with another, they would release each other.

**In Love With Erroll**  
The public followed tensely the accused's account of his reactions on realising that his wife had fallen in love with Lord Erroll. There was no quarrel at any time between the accused and Lord Erroll or with his wife. He was very sorry for his wife, and although he regretted the attachment to Lord Erroll, he realised that she had had her young life in front of her while he (accused) had not.

He hoped that his wife, by going away for three months with Lord Erroll, might stop loving Lord Erroll, but Lord Erroll neither approved this idea nor that he (Lord Erroll) himself should go away.

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks \$.....	1,315 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.) \$.....	70 1/2 n.
Chartered \$.....	3 1/2 n.
Mercantile \$.....	2 1/2 n.
Mercantile C. & D. \$.....	1 1/2 n.
East Asia \$.....	71 b.
INSURANCES	
Cantons \$ x d.....	208 n.
Union \$.....	400 n.
China Underwriters \$.....	1 n.
H. K. Fire \$.....	170 b.
SHIPPING	
Douglas \$.....	128 n.
Stamboat \$.....	3 n.
Indo-China P. \$.....	80 b.
Indo-China D. \$.....	60 n.
Shell (Bearers) \$ x d.....	41 3/4 n.
Waterboats \$.....	655 n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves \$.....	87 n.
Docks \$.....	5 1/2 n.
Provident \$.....	5 1/2 n.
Shai Dockyard \$.....	25 1/2 n.
MINING	
Kailan \$.....	11 1/2 n.
Rauhs \$.....	8 n.
H.K. Mines \$.....	1 1/4 cts. n.
LANDS	
Hotels \$.....	200 b.
Lands \$.....	315 b.
Lands 4 1/2 Debutures \$.....	9 1/2 n.
Shai Lands Sh. \$.....	14 40 n.
Humphreys \$.....	6 40 n.
H.K. Realities \$.....	3 n.
Chinese Estates \$.....	88 b.
UTILITIES	
Trams \$.....	10 45 n.
Peak Trams (old) \$.....	7 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$.....	1 1/4 n.
Star Ferries \$.....	5 1/4 n.
Y. Ferries \$.....	21 35 n.
China Lights (old) \$.....	6 n.
China Lights (new) \$.....	1 1/4 n.
H.K. Electric (old) x rts \$.....	21 60 n.
H.K. Electric (new) \$.....	21 n.
H.K. Electric Rts \$.....	11 10 n.
Macao Electric \$.....	10 1/2 n.
Sandakan Lights \$.....	11 70 n.
Telephones (old) \$.....	22 b.
Telephones (new) \$.....	9 10 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cald: Macg. (Ord.) \$.....	30 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.) \$.....	25 n.
Canton Ice \$.....	1 n.
Cements \$.....	15 1/2 n.
H.K. Ropes \$.....	7 n.
STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms \$.....	17 n.
Watsons \$.....	9 60 n.
Lane Crawford \$.....	x d. 6 45 n.
Sinceres \$.....	2 15 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$.....	39 n.
Powell Ltd. \$.....	1 1/2 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh. \$.....	3 1/4 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. \$.....	205 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Govt. 4%.....	97 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1934).....	94 1/2 n.
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Ch. Govt. 6% 1925 G.S.Bds.....	28 n.
Entertainments (old).....	1 1/2 n.
Constructions (new) \$.....	1 n.
Vibro Piling \$.....	7 50 n.
Maramas Inv. (Lon.) \$.....	0 7/3 n.
Maramas Inv. (H.K.) \$.....	2 1/2 n.

## UNREGISTERED MUI TSAI

For keeping an unregistered 18-year-old male, and ill-treating her, Chan Tai, 35, married woman, of No. 305 Tai San Back Street, Cheung Chau Island, was fined \$400 on the first charge and bound over in \$200 for one year on the second count, by Mr. S. F. Balfour at the Court of the District Office South of this morning.

## Cleaning Up U.S. Labour

WASHINGTON, June 12 (Reuter).—The Senate to-day by 46 votes to 25 approved legislation authorising the President to seize defence plants in case of the existence of threatened failure of production and where the management or Labour fail to utilise the existing mediation agencies.

The Administration lost the fight against an amendment providing that the President could not exercise such powers until mediation attempts are exhausted.

A high member of the Administration stated that the Government is ready and determined to eliminate from the defence industries all persons considered guilty of promoting strikes for subversive instead of legitimate Union purposes.

## Heroism Of Greece Not Forgotten

Message From King

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—In a message to King George of Greece, thanking the Greek people "one and all and each individually" for their heroism stand in Greece and Crete, King George VI, while saying that the loss of Crete was a "bitter blow," adds:

"We share your grief, but we also share your hopes. News reaches this country daily to prove that the tragedy of Greece has left unbroken the spirit of your gallant people, who show and continue to show heroism and disregard for odds unsurpassed in history."

Remarking that the spirit of the Greek people remains high, the message concludes: "We do not forget that great soldier-statesman, General John Metaxas, who said to the Italians, 'You shall not pass,' nor his successor, Mr. Alexander Korizis, who said 'No' to a yet more powerful foe."

## Thai Trust In British Assurances

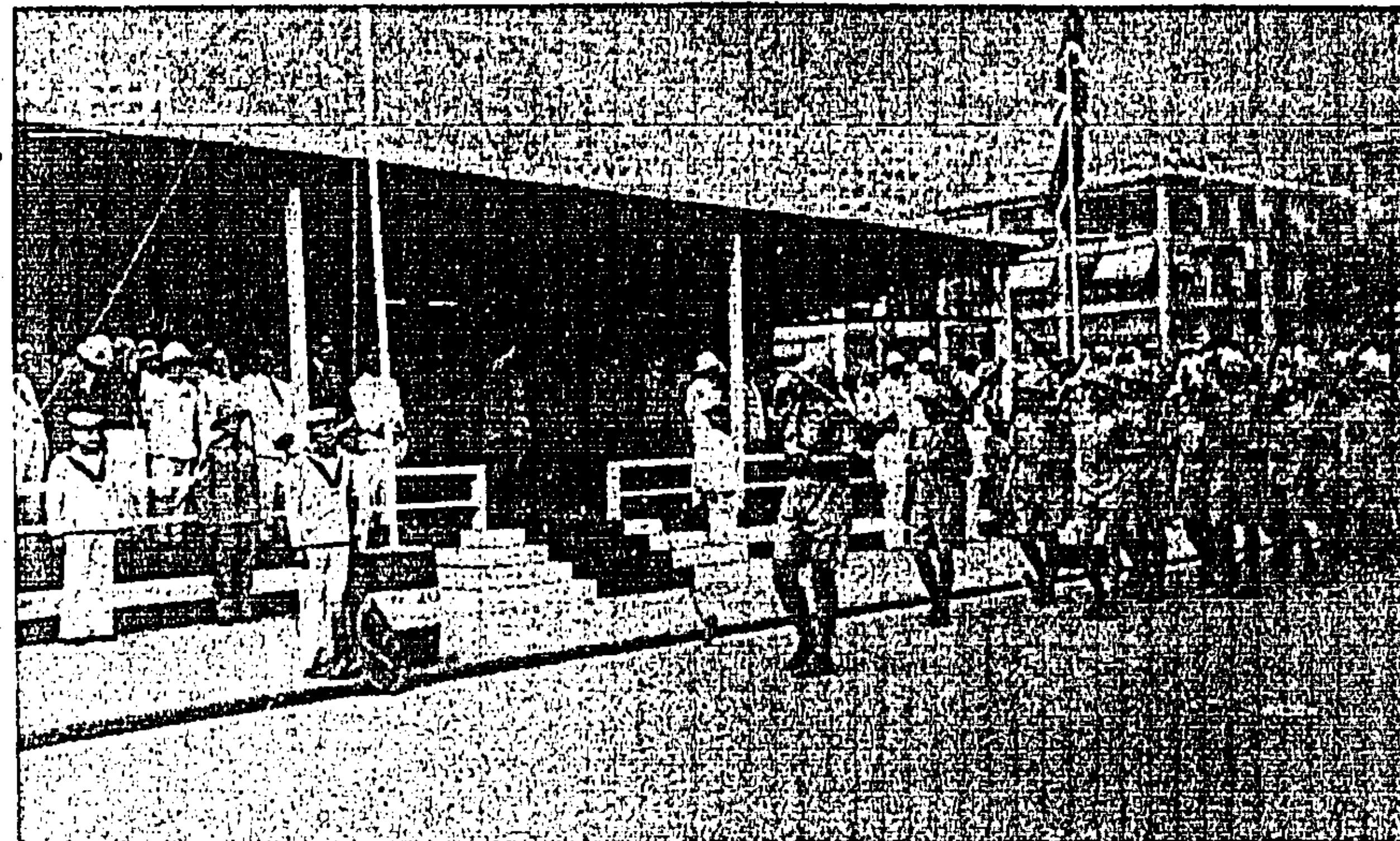
BANGKOK, June 12 (Reuter).—Commenting on persistent Japanese reports of the strengthening of the Malay and Burma defences, a highly-placed Thai official declared that Thailand is not in the least disturbed by such reports.

He pointed out: (1) Thailand has a non-aggression pact with Britain; (2) Britain "has given us specific assurances with regard to the real purpose of the frontier reinforcement and we believe the sincerity of these assurances"; (3) The British forces are stationed not so near the Thai border as the Japanese reports try to make out.

## Factories In Full Swing Again

NEW YORK, June 12 (Reuter).—A full shift was resumed this morning at five factories of the vast Cleveland-Ohio Works of the Aluminum Company of America following a settlement of the strike. The Company's spokesman stated that everything was running smoothly and it is expected that full production would be resumed before the day was over.

The agreement provides for a general increase in the wages of 10 cent per hour, making a minimum of 75 cents in an hour.



His Excellency Major-General A. E. Grasett, General Officer Commanding, taking the salute during the march past at the King's Birthday review in Wanchai yesterday morning. (Photo: New China Newsphotos).

## Indian Christians' Big Influence In Politics

The Indian Christian community which has hitherto attracted less attention than its importance deserves, promises to play a useful part in the political struggle now going on in India.

Twenty years ago this community numbered in all about 4,500,000 persons. By 1931 it had increased to close on 6,000,000, a growth of 32 per cent in 10 years. Since then it has not only developed further in numerical strength but the high proportion of literates it contains is enabling it to exercise influence far beyond that to which mere counting of heads might seem to entitle it.

Evidence of this is to be seen in a well-informed volume on India's future now published by one of its members. The writer is Mr J. Chinna Durai, a highly cultivated barrister of the Middle Temple, London. Its title is "The Choice Before India." (Jonathan Cape, London.)

This volume gives an inside account of the present situation in India, throwing new light on the political problems involved and indicating that forces of good sense and moderation are growing up which may quite conceivably before long fundamentally change the entire political balance.

### Away From Gandhi

Mr Durai contends that the scale has begun to incline already away from Gandhi, Nehru and the Indian National Congress Party which these leaders control and towards a group of parties of more moderate opinion, including Non-Cooperation Hindus and Indian Christians.

These "moderates," he claims, represent by themselves a much larger body of Indian public opinion than does the Congress Party. If they can succeed, therefore, in joining hands with the main organisations of the 70,000,000 non-Congress Indian Moslems, they should constitute a combination strong enough to transform the whole present political make-up of India.

### Congress Machinery

They have hitherto, he holds, failed to do this only because of the superior political machinery that the Congress has got together. So powerful has this Congress Party machinery become that even those who are quite out of sympathy with Congress views often hesitate to speak out in public, although the next elections are likely to show a notable swing-over in voting strength in the legislative bodies.

### Two Points

The main split is over two points. One concerns appreciation of need for India to throw in its lot wholeheartedly with Britain against the dictator countries. The other has to do with the ending of that Hindu-Muslim friction which now holds up all constitutional advance.

The great mass of educated Indians, Mr Durai points out, realise that the full independence which Congress demands would leave India at the mercy of those who would destroy all prospect of its obtaining autonomy. On the other hand, they know that Indian party disagreement is all that prevents India's obtaining complete self-government within the British Empire.

### Compromise Plan

Signs of the new movement are seen in a recent meeting of Indian Liberals and Moderates in Bombay. This meeting favoured partial adoption of a compromise plan already proposed by Lord Linlithgow, the Viceroy.

Under this scheme representative

## British Fascists' 'Holiday'

Internment In Isle Of Wight

Preparations are being made in the Isle of Man for the reception of 1,000 British Fascists.

It was announced in Parliament recently that they are to be interned there.

A reshuffling of the internment camps is being made to provide accommodation for them.

One camp has been cleared of its alien internees, who have been sent to other internment camps on the island.

The British Fascists are expected to arrive soon. They will, it is believed, be subjected to the same kind of internment as the aliens, except that their military guard will be stronger.

It is likely that they will be called on to perform some kind of service.

### To Be Isolated

They will not come into contact with the alien internees, who are doing land work on the island. It is not yet known whether Sir Oswald Mosley, leader of British Fascists, will be sent with his followers to the Isle of Man.

No special arrangements have been made for any individual internees.

The Fascists will live in boarding-houses, surrounded by barbed wire barricades.

## Winston Churchill Is His Name

DEARBORN, MICH., June 9 (UP).—Winston Churchill has been denied admittance to the Ford Trade School because he is too old.

School superintendent Frederick E. Searle said he had written the admission explaining that the age limit was 12 to 16.

However, the superintendent's letter did not go to 10 Downing Street, London, but to Ionia, Michigan. The namesake of the British Prime Minister is 18 years old, and a graduate of the Ionia High School.

## Boy Saved Church From Destruction

Michael O'Connor, 16-year-old messenger boy with a close resemblance to Mickey Rooney, the film actor, saved a church from destruction in a big raid on London recently.

"I just had to save the church," he said, "because I sleep in the crypt there with my father. He slept for months in a 500-year-old coffin in the crypt, but it has been taken away."

Two fires were blazing on the roof. Mickey, with water and a stirrup pump, climbed up a narrow stairway. He tackled the fires so well that they were easily brought under control. About 350 people were sheltering in the crypt.

"Altogether, it helped to put out the said fire," he said, "and other services to be where they were wanted."

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## Ankara Reports Damascus Falls

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total lack of animosity. They describe the conflict as "dull" but warn that a Frenchman's honour makes him fight.

To this extent, German propaganda has been working at top pressure and they declare with seeming sincerity that there are no German troops in Syria.

### Machine Gun Strategy

A detachment of Australians landed among French troops holding the north bank of the Leontes River are best qualified to speak of the position's fighting qualities. They tell of a new machine-gun technique which increases the value of this weapon.

Concentrated in horse-shoe nests of eight guns, they are surrounded by swarms of tree snipers, and without long preparation and intensive mortar attack, they are impossible. R.A.F. fighters are not challenged by any French aircraft which have been seen over the battle area only on two or three occasions.

### Fighting Exaggerated

CAIRO, June 12 (Reuter).—While the Allies are now reaching the area where a large proportion of the troops that General Dentz has available are concentrated, Vichy munitioned about "heavy fighting" are stated here to be grossly exaggerated.

It is believed in Cairo that the exaggeration may be intentional with a view to paving the way for final surrender.

There have been no reports yet of any fighting between the Free French and the Syrian French.

### Merj Ayoun Taken

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Merj Ayoun has been occupied by Allied troops.

### Defections To Allies

CAIRO, June 12 (Reuter).—French officers and men in Syria are joining the Free French in good numbers.

It is revealed here that in an effort to bribe his troops into loyalty towards Vichy, General Dentz has granted big increases in pay with the object of raising it to the level of British officers and men.

In most cases, the offer of bribe has had the opposite effect of that desired.

### Naval Units Help

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Australian troops in front of Sidon have not been able yet to overcome the French resistance, according to a Vichy News Agency message this afternoon.

The message states: "Fighting is severe, accompanied by heavy and continuous bombardments of the coast by British naval units."

French troops are entrenched in the orange groves surrounding the town, states the Vichy message, adding: "Australian attacks continue unintercepted, supported by tanks and heavy guns of a naval squadron consisting of a battleship, two cruisers and five destroyers, which have been bombarding the port for the last three days."

"Two naval units were hit by two French destroyers which went to meet them."

### Damascus Defended

The Vichy News Agency also reported: "Fighting continues to the rear of Merj Ayoun, evacuated by the French only yesterday, and troops of General Dentz occupy strong positions five to six kilometres to the rear."

"In front of Damascus, de Gaulle troops yesterday continued their attack against Kissout, 15 kilometres south of the Syrian capital, but according to the latest news, these attacks have been repulsed."

It is pointed out in London that the reports of severe fighting issued by Vichy may be put out deliberately in furtherance of the Franco-German plans to alienate French sympathies from Britain.

### Arab Support

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" JERUSALEM, June 12 (UP).—It is now revealed that on the Trans-Jordanian frontier, an Arab unit organized under Lawrence's disciple, Major J. B. Glubb will support the Allies advancing on Syria by patrolling the advance flank in the Yarmuk region.

The spokesman stated, "The left flank of the Allied forces advancing from the road junction south of Sidon is meeting with only spasmodic isolated resistance."

### Reiterate, No Nazis

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" VICHY, June 12 (UP).—The United States Ambassador, Admiral Leahy conferred with Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan at today's recording Syria. Both Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan renewed their assurances that there are no Germans in Syria.

## Four Medals For Squadron

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Four members of No. 82 Squadron, R.A.F. have been awarded decorations for gallantry in flying operations against the enemy.

These are the decorations and the men who won them:—

D.S.O. to Acting Wing-Commander Samuel Charles Elworthy, D.F.C., A.F.C. (a New Zealander educated at Trinity College, Cambridge).

He set a tanker on fire with a direct hit off Havre, despite heavy flak fire. Returning from an attack near Flushing, he eluded two Messerschmitt 109s, although his rear gunner was wounded.

D.F.C. to Flight-Lieutenant Sidney John Monroe (born Flinchley, N., educated University College, London). He scored direct hits on a 3,000 ton ship off the Frisian Islands and got his plane safely back after a shell had burst in the cockpit, wounding him and killing the observer.

### Went on Firing

D.F.M. to Sergeant Leslie Herbert Cyril Gayfer, air-gunner (born at Diss, Norfolk; used to be a half-dresser).

Although wounded, he went on firing and forced an enemy fighter to break away after attacking his plane when returning from daylight operations in the Flushing vicinity.

D.F.M. to Sergeant Robert Leslie Smith (born at Dartmouth, Devon; used to be a local government officer).

He scored two hits on a tanker off Havre, defying flak fire and brought his damaged plane safely back.

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### Chinese Journalists Give Money To Bomber Fund

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## WAR PRISONERS

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—The President of the German Red Cross has arrived at Geneva, says the Swiss radio. He will have discussions with the Central Prisoners of War Committee.

## LATE NEWS

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## Robin Moor Was Sunk By U-Boat

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opinion that the nation should not "get unnecessarily excited over the incident, or go to war over it."

Reaction of the House Democratic leaders; Mr. John McCormack, "It is very unfortunate but there is no reason now to get unnecessarily excited over it."

Mr. Melvin Mass stated that the sinking of the Robin Moor was regrettable but there was no reason for going to war over it. "Japan did the same to the Frany and not only failed to rescue the survivors but machine-gunned them afterwards and we did not go to war."

Mr. James Shanley recalled that eleven ships were sunk before February 3, 1917 when the United States broke off diplomatic relations with Germany.

Mr. Andrew May asserted, "We ought to convey with battleships and let the shooting start—not see who can shoot first but who can out-shoot."

## H.M.S. Ladybird Lost Off Libya

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The Terror's normal crew was 300 officers and men.

### Shelled By Japanese

The attention of the world was focussed on the Ladybird in December, 1937 when she, together with H.M.S. Bee were shelled by Japanese shore batteries in the Yangtze River.

The Japanese claimed that because of a fog and a smoke screen put out by the warships, they could not distinguish the Union Jack. Apologies were offered and indemnities made.

Because of gallantry under fire, Lieut-Commander H. D. Barlow, Commander of the Ladybird, who was slightly wounded, was awarded a Companion of the D.S.O. The same honour was conferred on Captain G. E. M. O'Donnell, who was present in the Ladybird at the time.

## Vengeance Of Franco

### On Fiery Orator

MADRID, June 12 (Reuter).—The Communist Dolores Ibarruri Gomez, whose impassioned speeches during the civil war made her known throughout the world as "Las Pasionaria," has been condemned to a 25,000,000 peseta fine, which is equivalent to the loss of all possessions, and banishment for 15 years.

The Tribunal also recommended that "Las Pasionaria" who is now believed to be in Russia be deprived of Spanish nationality.

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## SYRIA WAR TO END SHORTLY: KEYPOINTS STAND DOOMED

### Damascus May Surrender To Allies

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—THE EARLY COLLAPSE OF FRENCH RESISTANCE IN SOUTHERN SYRIA IS ANTICIPATED AFTER VICHY HAD REPORTED THAT GENERAL DENTZ'S FORCES HAD ABANDONED MERJAYOUM, THE PRINCIPAL FORTIFIED POINT WHICH IS BLOCKING THE CENTRE BRITISH COLUMN, NOW IN A POSITION TO STRIKE DUE NORTH TOWARDS RAYAK OR TO THE NORTHEAST TOWARDS DAMASCUS.

### FRENCH OFFER OF PEACE IN SYRIA

Seek Return of Status Quo

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, June 12 (UP).—In their second note to Britain to be sent through M. Petrie, the French Ambassador at Madrid, and the British Ambassador, Sir Samuel Hoare, the French made an offer of peace in Syria on the basis of British recognition of their error in accusing France of allowing German military occupation of Syria. It is stated that the French suggestion was relayed from Madrid to London this afternoon.

The French Government spokesman insisted to-night that both notes were conciliatory. The French are hopeful that the war can be halted before both sides suffer heavy casualties and before the important towns of Beirut and Damascus are damaged by fighting.

There is no question of damages to the French. To the contrary, the French ask merely for the return of the status quo before the operations began, which means that the British withdraw their columns to Iraq, Palestine and Transjordan.

**Britain's "Error"**  
The note points out to the British their error in their pretension that the French had allowed Germans to place planes, troops and "tourists" in Syria.  
In the second note the French emphasise that British troops now had five days contact with the French defence forces in south Syria without encountering a single German soldier or taking a solitary German prisoner. The French reiterated their official assurances that there are no Germans in Syria and now ask Britain to admit the mistake and to end the war.

**U.S. Envoy's Talk**  
The United States Ambassador, Admiral Leahy's conference with Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan at 6 p.m. was said on both sides to have been extremely important. There is the belief in some quarters that Admiral Leahy may have sounded or been sounded regarding President Roosevelt and intervention, but there is nothing official to substantiate the report. Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan reiterated to Admiral Leahy that there are no Germans in Syria and Admiral Leahy's cable to the State Department to-night relayed that assurance. Official circles made it clear that France is free to negotiate any settlement she desires.

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—King George to-day visited St. James' Palace where the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, presented the heads of all the Allied Governments in London. The King shook hands with each one.

The fleet air arm attack on Beirut is believed to indicate that the coastal column is continuing to advance and may soon reach the capital. Finally, the British are considerably beyond Sidon.

The stiffest resistance to the Allied advance is still going on at Kiswe where the Free French forces are seeking to take Damascus via the south, but it is reported that they are being blocked. It is believed that General Dentz has marshalled strong forces there in a grudge fight, as General Wilson apparently has the intention to give the de Gaullists the honour of taking Damascus.

### Damascus to Surrender?

CAIRO, June 12 (UP).—Very trustworthy Arab sources to-day stated that it is more than possible some kind of informal conversations for the surrender of Damascus, in order to spare that historic city, are occurring, although there is no confirmation from British military circles.

### Nearing Beirut

VICHY, June 12 (UP).—An Australian column is reported to be nearing Beirut to-night. This column which is without tank support was, until to-day, protected by the British fleet.

### Authorities Leave

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—The "Daily Mail" reports from Cairo that the French authorities for Syria and Lebanon have left Damascus and Beirut and have gone to Aleppo.

### Big Tank Battle

VICHY, June 12 (UP).—A big tank battle is raging on the outskirts of Damascus, the streets echoing to the roar of big guns with the reinforced British and de Gaulle troops trying to break through around Kiswe, ten miles south of Damascus. A French communiqué states that attacks south and southeast of Kiswe failed to break the defences and a third enemy push has been repulsed. A tank thrust was also shattered near Hasbaya, between Said and Damascus.

South of Said, the French dynamited the main road forcing the British inland in an effort to outflank the defences.  
Between the Lebanon mountains and Jebel Druze, the French are reported to have beaten off three fierce tank attacks. General Dentz claimed that the de Gaulle losses are appalling.

### Reach Said

CAIRO, June 12 (UP).—Informed military sources report that the TURN TO Back Page, Column 3

### AXIS OR ALLIES

Sooner Or Later All Must Make Choice

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, broadcasting to the Latin American countries to-night declared that sooner or later, all men will be forced to decide whether to support the Allies or the Axis.

"Sooner or later, all men must decide upon which side, whether in light or darkness they stand," he said, and he appealed to British residents in Latin America to promote the British cause.  
He asserted, "President Roosevelt has said that he looks forward to a world founded on four freedoms: the freedom of speech and expression; the freedom of the worship of God; the freedom from want and the freedom from fear. We and our Allies are fighting for this noble conception of a better life that may prevail. This is no war of national aspirations but of faith in the standards and philosophies of life."

### Prince Bernhard And Roosevelt

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BOSTON, June 12 (UP).—Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands stated to-day that he would confer with President Roosevelt at Hyde Park next Thursday and added that the conference had been arranged when he arrived in Montreal last Monday after a flight from England.

He indicated that the conference would deal with the defence of the British Isles, and Dutch activities in aiding the Allied cause.  
Prince Bernhard and Princess Juliana arrived here to-day for a four-day visit to New England. Princess Juliana will receive an honorary degree at the Mount Holyoke College.

### Bulls-Eyes For R.A.F.

The brilliant accuracy of the R.A.F. bombers in their raids against enemy objectives has been a feature of the war. This official photograph taken during a raid on Asmara illustrates the effectiveness of the British bombing: (2) hangars directly hit and left with holes in the roofs, (3) demolished buildings, (4) damaged hangars, (5) large devastated area, buildings completely demolished, (6) damaged motor transport buildings, (7) bombs bursting during the actual attack, (8) aircraft on fire.



## Sinking of Robin Moor: America's Grave Attitude

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, June 12 (UP).—The State Department to-day announced that a submarine torpedoed and shelled the steamer Robin Moor which was sunk after the crew and passengers had taken to the lifeboats.

Consul Lithicum's latest report stated, "There is no doubt in the minds of the survivors that the Commander and the submarine were German." They stated that the only visible markings on the submarine was the name, either Loricke or Loricke, and also a figure which was described as a "laughing cow" painted on the conning tower.

Mr. Lithicum asserted, "The Commander spoke to the men in poor English." The crew and passengers were given thirty minutes to abandon ship.

**Grave Mr. Welles**  
Mr. Sumner Welles, Under Secretary of State, spoke in the gravest terms to 20 correspondents attending to-day's press conference, which is an unusually large number due to the general expectation that more news regarding the Robin Moor case was impending.

Mr. Welles was asked if he considered the situation grave. He declined to answer specifically, saying that he preferred to stand on his original statement that the State Department was obtaining every available detail before deciding on any course of action.  
The conference gave the impression that officials are not attempting to crystallise public opinion until the fullest information is available which may require a day or two owing to the required coding and decoding of messages.

**Berlin Report**  
BERLIN, June 12 (UP).—Informed German quarters to-day stated that military quarters in Berlin had received no reports to confirm or to indicate that a German submarine sank the Robin Moor. They asserted that the affair is being investigated; however, they expressed very strong doubts that it could have been a German submarine, "since in that case, military quarters here would almost certainly have received a report by now."

Neither the German press nor radio has mentioned a single word regarding the incident thus far.

### Aosta In Kenya

LONDON, June 12 (British Wireless).—According to an agency message, it is officially stated in Nairobi that the Duke of Aosta, an Italian Commander-in-Chief in Abyssinia, who surrendered to the British forces, has arrived in Kenya.

### Important Talk With Mr Eden



Sir Stafford Cripps

### Effective Raids On Germany

Big Fires Left In Industrial Cities

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced to-day that large fires were started in the industrial quarters at Duisberg and Dusseldorf during last night's raid, adding that the fires were "many and violent."

At Duisberg, large buildings in the dock area and other industrial quarters of the town were swept by fire. At Dusseldorf, oil stocks were set on fire.

The Air Ministry also stated that Cologne was among other night objectives. "One enormous fire was seen there by pilots flying back from Dusseldorf. This is evidently the fire in the northeast part of the city which the navigator and pilot of the aircraft attacking Cologne described as the largest they had ever seen."

### North France Bombed

LONDON, June 12 (Reuters).—R.A.F. planes were active over the Channel this afternoon. It is believed that they attacked shipping off the French coast and possibly the invasion ports.

### Hits On Ship

LONDON, June 12 (Reuters).—This afternoon, aircraft of the Bomber Command, escorted by fighters, made a successful attack on enemy shipping in the Channel, says the Air Ministry.  
"Direct hits were claimed on a ship of about 1,400 tons, which was left sinking."  
"One enemy fighter was shot down by one of our escorting fighters."  
"None of our aircraft is missing."

There was very little enemy air activity over Britain to-day, and up to 6 p.m. G.M.T., there was no report of any bombs dropped.

## Ladybird Goes Down With Guns Blazing

By GRATTON MCGROARTY

Special to the "Telegraph"

ALEXANDRIA, June 12 (UP).—How the former Yangtze Flotilla warship H.M.S. Ladybird, which was dramatically shelled by Japanese in December, 1937, was sunk by German bombers with her guns blazing, was told to me to-day by Commander John Blackburn.  
He said that the Ladybird was anchored in the entrance to the Tobruk harbour and she was attacked by seven German dive-bombers.  
Three members of the crew were killed and 25 wounded, but the gallant little Ladybird went down with her guns blazing.

### MIDDLE EAST AIR ACTIVITY

Widespread Action By The R.A.F.

CAIRO, June 12 (Reuters).—In Syria, British aircraft have been giving full support to the advancing Imperial and Free French troops.

An R.A.F. Middle East communiqué to-day states: "Aleppo aerodrome was raided on the night of June 10-11, bombs falling on the dispersed aircraft on the runways and buildings, causing a number of fires."

"Shipping in the harbour of Beirut was attacked by the R.A.F. and Fleet Air Arm. One Vichy aircraft was shot down."  
**North Africa**

The communiqué also reports the continuation of attacks on enemy concentrations in North Africa yesterday. Considerable damage was inflicted on motor transport and troops "in the Gazala-Capuzzo and El Adem regions."

During the night of June 10-11, enemy aerodromes were attacked in Gazala and Gambut.

"Heavy bombers raided Benghazi and inflicted damage on shipping in the harbour and several merchant ships lie sunk in the harbour as part of the result of recent bombing attacks."

"Enemy aircraft on Berka aerodrome were machine-gunned and a number were badly damaged."

### One Plane Missing

From all these operations, as well as the action over Malta and in supporting the operations which resulted in the capture of Assab yesterday, one British plane is missing, concludes the communiqué.

### \$21,858 TO BOMBER FUND

Latest Donation By The Jockey Club

Another handsome donation has been made to the Bomber Fund by the Hongkong Jockey Club.  
This morning the Club forwarded cheques to the Bomber Fund and the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China each valued at \$21,858.81, totalling \$43,717.62, being the net proceeds of the special cash sweep on the Lantau Handicap.  
These contributions bring the total distributed by the Jockey Club to War Funds and War Charities to \$671,724 or approximately \$235,730.  
The Stewards also announce that the net proceeds of the next big sweep, the Kwangtung Handicap, to be run on October 25, will be devoted to British War Funds and the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China.

### LATEST

### Daylight Saving Announcement

It was officially announced this afternoon that Daylight Saving will come into operation as from 3 a.m. Sunday, June 15, to suit the convenience of certain public utilities in the Colony.  
It was originally announced that Daylight Saving would become operative from midnight on Saturday, but this report, which appears elsewhere in this issue, should be disregarded.  
The clocks will go forward one hour as from 3 a.m. on Sunday.

### New Powers For Roosevelt

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, June 12 (UP).—The Senate by a vote of 67 to 7, to-day passed and sent to the House the Connally amendment to the Conservation Act, authorising the President to take over defence factories when strikes, lockouts or other causes delay or threaten production.

See Back Page For Further Late News

## New Assurance About Our A.R.P. Tunnels

Reference to the recent disaster in an air raid tunnel in Chungking when over 700 people died of suffocation, was made by Wing-Commander A.H.S. Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions, at a Press conference this morning, when he stated that he did not think that an accident of a similar nature could occur in any of the Hongkong tunnels, as special provision had been made for adequate ventilation in the local shelters.

He explained that the tunnels in Hongkong were solidly built and ventilated by the duct system by Diesel engines installed inside the tunnels, and added that even in the event of engine failure there would be sufficient draught ventilation to prevent any such catastrophe here.  
The lighting, he said, was by hurricane lamps kept in a niche specially built for the purpose.  
With reference to the Chungking disaster, the A.R.P. Director said he was expecting further details as to how it happened, after the inquiry now being conducted in Chungking had been completed.



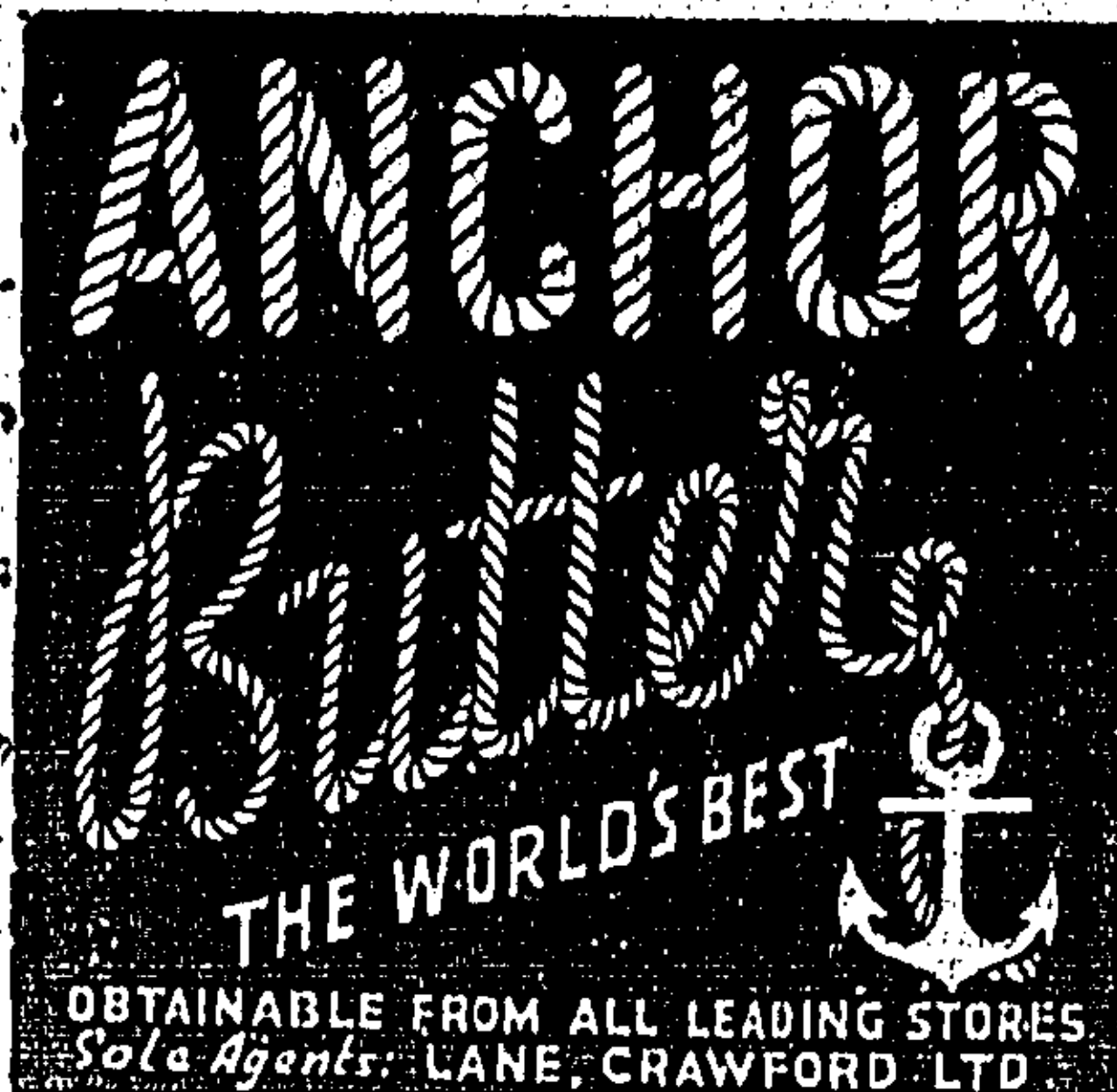
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# DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



## CONTRACT BRIDGE

By JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

Match-Point Technique

AT rubber bridge, a defender's low spade and declarer found attention should be riveted to a himself in quite a dilemma. Natural single objective: defeating the contract. At duplicate bridge another vision of the spade suit. East's element enters the picture. Here, a sequence of plays made it appear defender must decide whether or not probable that the suit was divided there is a reasonable chance of 4-3, because (declarer reasoned) fending the contract. If there isn't, with only the king and 10, East's the best way of securing a good correct play would have been to overtake the queen and return the match-point score is to battle against ten. Thus, with the hope that the overtricks.

Take to-day's hand for example, heart ace lay in East's hand, declarer's first play would have been clearer held up his spade ace, per-wrong at rubber bridge, since it cut East's king to win. When a down his team's chance to defeat third spade lead failed to materialize, declarer had a sinking sensation that that chance was virtually nil, anyway, hence his one thought was to win a trick that might otherwise be lost.

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable. Match point duplicate.

♠ 643  
 ♥ A K J 6  
 ♦ K Q J 7  
 ♣ 9  
 ♠ K 10  
 ♥ A 7 4 2  
 ♦ 8 5 3  
 ♣ 8 6 3 2

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
3NT	Pass	3NT	Pass

West opened the spade queen. East, although he knew very well that conventional play called for his king, thus insuring that the spade suit would not be blocked, deliberately violated the convention in this instance because he had a sound reason for doing so. He at six diamonds doubled, with South played the spade ten. West then led the declarer?

How should this hand be played at six diamonds doubled, with South played the spade ten. West then led the declarer?

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1—Yacht in which coal is raised from mine
- 2—Mine
- 3—Mine entrance
- 4—Son of Adam
- 5—Give vitality to
- 6—Man who sold
- 7—Birthright to a job
- 8—Areas projecting into enemy territory
- 9—Parting to Vikings
- 10—State of being red
- 11—Metric quart
- 12—Animal doctor (col.)
- 13—Storage lake
- 14—Appendage to watch
- 15—Roman highway
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- 1—Ancient City of Normandy
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## They Call Us "Ancient and Tattered Airmen"

By A Woman Ferry Pilot

And as to adventure—well, our job is to keep out of it.

The pilot smiled, bulky and shapeless in flying suit, with helmet and parachute. Out on the ground he came in for a lot of hearty slaps on the back and a good rowdy RAF welcome.

At last, in desperation, and to the confusion of the unofficial reception committee, the pilot pulled off his helmet.

The "Ancient and Tattered Airmen" was a woman—and very far from being either ancient or tattered.

I should know, because she is one of my colleagues, one of the first women members of Air Transport Auxiliary, recruited just over a year ago to help the men in this big job of ferrying new aircraft from factories to RAF stations.

Don't blame the RAF for the title, "Ancient and Tattered Airmen." The men pilots of A.T.A. themselves decided that this was what A.T.A. stands for.

The reason is that they are all airmen debarred from service with the RAF for reasons of health or age.

And the way to recognise a ferry pilot's sex has become an important part of the RAF's unofficial training.

I gather there is one infallible rule—wait till the pilot takes off his helmet, and if it's a woman—even with a closely cropped head—she will shake her hair loose!

Although we are the only women in Britain whose war work takes them up into the air (even the W.A.A.F. are still earth-bound), we do not regard ourselves as heroines and our lives are not one great adventure.

Flying may sound very exciting, but long before the war most of us were earning a living in civil aviation, with the result that piloting a warplane is no more unusual to us than driving a car.

fighter, for no matter how long you've been a pilot, there is no thrill in the world like flying faster than you have ever done before.

We report for duty every morning at nine. By that time Pauline Gower, chief of the women's unit, is already receiving instructions for the day's work from Central Control.

Planes are waiting to be picked up from a factory in the north of Scotland, from another in the west of England. They have to be delivered to, say, the Midlands or the South Coast. The Ferry Officer is busy working out the routes.

### NIGHTMARE

Within a few minutes we are piling into one of the "ferry taxis"—a big plane that sets off every morning with a dozen or more pilots squatting on the floor and delivers them one by one to the factories where they are to collect.

Having delivered your plane to the R.A.F. station and got your delivery chit signed by the officer who receives it, you may have to get yourself on to another factory by train or car or you may be picked up later by the ferry taxi on its return journey.

Do not imagine because we have all been flying for years that we did not need any training when we joined the A.T.A.

Every member goes through a course, for the bigger the machine the more complicated are the controls.

When you first come across the panel of an Anson or a Magister after the simple dashboard of a Puss Moth, you think you've walked straight into a nightmare.

Yet in a day or two you find you know all the knobs and handles, the wheels and clocks and gauges more or less by heart.

There is nothing spectacular about an A.T.A. pilot's life. The women do the same work as the men except that the planes they fly are smaller and easier to handle and the women's unit is just a small part of one big organisation.

### "WE GET AROUND"

We certainly get around a bit—only the other day one of my colleagues found herself flying over her own home in the country.

To her annoyance she noticed that the people to whom she had left the house had left the garage door open. When she got back she telephoned them about it—they are still wondering how on earth she found out!

There is one thing of which we are justly proud. It is not the excitement and the glamour but the simple fact that we have delivered hundreds of new planes to the R.A.F. in the last fifteen months—delivered them safely and on time.

## ANKARA REPORTS DAMASCUS FALLS

Beirut Well In Sight

Special to the "Telegraph"

ANKARA, June 12 (UP).—Semi-official circles understand that the British have entered Damascus. They stated that the British force advancing through the Iraq desert yesterday occupied El Del. It is pointed out that from El Del the British could advance against Palmyra where there is an important aerodrome and oil pipeline. The move could be made simultaneously with other forces who are advancing up the Euphrates valley towards Aleppo.

**Beirut Attacked**  
CAIRO, June 12 (UP).—An R.A.F. communiqué states that the fleet air arm of the R.A.F. has attacked the harbour at Beirut.

**Advance Continues**  
CAIRO, June 12 (UP).—A reliable Arab source to-day states that the Allied advance has reached Habbaya, a small town between Sidon and Damascus.

The R.A.F. announced to-day that the Aleppo aerodrome was raided on the night of May 10-11. Bombs fell on dispersed aircraft on the runway and buildings causing a number of fires.

**Smothering Resistance**  
(BY "REUTER" ON SYRIAN COASTAL SECTOR)

June 12.—Sporadic resistance is being gradually smothered by the Australian forces marching towards Beirut and, after Tuesday's blitz over the Leontes River where a stiff encounter was turned into an Australian victory, Beirut is well in sight.

French non-combatants confirm British hopes that the Lebanon capital will not be too hard a nut to crack. No fortified lines or perimeter defences, they say, obstruct the route to Beirut and the port itself is completely unfortified.

**No Animosity**  
Between these non-combatants and their Australian captors, there is a total lack of animosity. They describe the conflict as "dull" but warn that a Frenchman's honour makes him fight.

To this extent, German propaganda has been working at top pressure and they declare with seeming sincerity that there are no German troops in Syria.

**Machine Gun Strategy**  
A detachment of Australians landed among French troops holding the north bank of the Leontes River are best qualified to speak of the "polish" fighting qualities. They tell of a new machine-gun technique which increases the value of this weapon.

Concentrated in horse-shoe nests of eight guns, they are surrounded by swarms of tree snipers, and without long preparation and intensive mortar attack, they are impassable. R.A.F. fighters are not challenged by any French aircraft which have been seen over the battle area only on two or three occasions.

**Fighting Exaggerated**  
CAIRO, June 12 (Reuter).—While the Allies are now reaching the area where a large proportion of the troops that General Dentz has available are concentrated, Vichy communiqué about "heavy fighting" are stated here to be grossly exaggerated.

It is believed in Cairo that the exaggeration may be intentional with a view to paving the way for final surrender.

There have been no reports yet of any fighting between the Free French and the Syrian French.

**Merj Ayoun Taken**  
LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—It is confirmed in London that Merj Ayoun has been occupied by Allied troops.

**Defections To Allies**  
CAIRO, June 12 (Reuter).—French officers and men in Syria are joining the Allies.

### WAR PRISONERS

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—The President of the German Red Cross has arrived at Geneva, says the Swiss radio. He will have discussions with the Central Prisoners of War Committee.





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### DAYLIGHT SAVING

DAYLIGHT saving at last! For years Hongkong has wanted it and agitated for it, but the die-hards always succeeded in stopping it; now, ironically enough, a war has intervened to make it a reality overnight. The measure is not likely immediately to attain 100 per cent popularity; it will necessitate certain readjustments to the daily life of the Colony and this is bound to produce protests until adaptability asserts itself. But the benefits to be derived from extra daylight are sufficiently compensating as the European countries have known for the past 25 years.

The idea of putting the clocks forward originated in England in 1916. The measure was revised in 1924 and made permanent in 1925. At the present time, because of the war, Britain's clocks are two hours ahead of the sun, constituting an important part of the fight the nation is waging against the dictators.

Daylight Saving is being introduced to Hongkong primarily as a defence measure; it will save fuel and power and will facilitate military training. It promises other benefits; more time for open air recreation, another hour for work in the garden. To thousands of people here daylight saving will offer a boon, and although inconveniences to start with are inevitable, these are bound to be outweighed by other considerations.

It is proposed that daylight saving shall be one hour in what can be broadly called the summer, and half an hour during the winter. This is reasonable and meets an overwhelmingly popular demand. It is extremely doubtful whether, once the system becomes operative, it will ever be discarded. Daylight to the average man is very precious; he has a great hunger for it, and putting the clocks forward is one way—artificial it is true—of satiating his hunger. The introduction of daylight saving in Hongkong is warmly approved.

# Belgian Empire's Share In Britain's War Effort

M. ALBERT DE VLEESCHAUWER, Belgian Minister of Colonies, who left London last December to tour his country's vast African empire, has returned to Britain after a journey of more than 30,000 miles.

I talked with him in his office in Belgravia. He looked well, though tired. He is a man in his early forties, who saw the last war as a soldier and is a professor of law in his own country. I know him as a very staunch friend of Britain.

My first question, to one who had been seeing Britain's war effort from a distance as it were, was what impressions he had gained.

He smiled. "That's easy to answer. London is, more than ever before, the heart of the civilised world as we understand it. You have the sympathy and support of all the free peoples of the world. Even in the neutral countries there is no doubt as to the outcome of the struggle. I found everywhere the same feeling, the same confidence in the future."

The Minister then turned to the subject of his tour.

### Resolve Of Free Men

"In the Belgian Congo there are Belgians who still are free, whose ways of life are similar to yours, whose general outlook is the same. Having been born free men, they are determined to die free men. For this no sacrifice can ever be too great. There are no Quislings in the Belgian Congo. Any who had such tendencies, as well as the enemy aliens who were established there, have been put out of harm's way. There may be enemy propaganda, but it is not noticeable and cuts no ice."

Germans and Italians had been fairly active before most of them were locked up (largely on M. de Vleeschauwer's initiative).

"In what were formerly German East African possessions and are now the mandated Belgian territories of Ruanda and Urundi, the native population of some 3,000,000 suffered from neglect, maladministration and even starvation under German rule, but now they are prosperous, healthy and happy."

"There, as in the Belgian Congo, the natives roundly condemn Nazi-ism. If that is how Hitler treats white people, their delegates would say to me, 'what could we expect if he were victorious?'"

### Colonials In Action

I asked for some account of Belgium's war effort.

"Take first our military co-operation," replied M. de Vleeschauwer. "You know that after losing one army in the battle of Belgium, our second army, in process of reconstruction in France, was caught there as a result of the French debacle. The Belgian spirit has never been broken, despite our terrible misfortunes. We have

## Colonial Minister on the Purpose of His African tour—An interview with M. Albert de Vleeschauwer, by George Soloveytschik

our troops in this country, and their number will increase as the new recruits called up under the general mobilisation orders come along. We have, too, our pilots in the R.A.F. They have done well already and have a respectable number of victories to their credit.

"Certain troops of the Belgian Colonial Forces have already gone forward and are co-operating alongside the forces of the British Empire under the command of Gen. Wavell. It was this which was one of the main reasons of my voyage. It is not only a direct contribution to the Allied war effort but also, indirectly, a means of defending Belgian Congo territory."

"Within the last few days these troops have been the subject of special mention for gallantry."

"It is indeed a great satisfaction to all Belgians established in the Congo to know that our men have been given the opportunity to pull their weight in that great campaign."

"And our effort has only just started. It will be increased as and when necessary in accordance with the technical possibilities. Our men are ready and fit, and keenly anxious to join the fighting line."

"They are being trained in modern weapons and showing astounding aptitude. Our native soldiers can take to bits and put together again the most complicated machine-gun blindfold."

### Ships And Resources

"We have also done something else which is important. Not only have we made possible the passage of South African troops through our territory but we are also organising and expanding transport facilities for Allied forces. Our policy is one of complete co-operation. We do not intend to depart from it."

"There comes next the contribution of our merchant fleet, manned by Belgian seamen."

"We have, as you know, an agreement with Britain by which the whole of it, including the ships which formerly served the Congo Line, is time chartered to your Ministry of Shipping. We had asked for the ships formerly used for that line to be kept on it as far as possible, not only because they are specially adapted for the service but because they are needed; but in the past few months the strain imposed on British shipping has deprived some countries of the facilities they need. The Belgian Congo must, I fear, be included in that category. In discussing these problems with the British Government, however, we have met with sympathetic consideration and seen a very sincere desire to readjust the position. It is now improving."

"The Belgian Congo's co-operation in the economic and financial fields," the Minister went on "is well under way. You probably know of the two agreements between the British Government and ourselves."

"One provides for purchases to be made by the United Kingdom in the Belgian Congo. All the products specified (with possibly one small exception) are essential to your country in connection with the war effort. We do not want you to buy things you do not need, and so we are endeavouring to find markets elsewhere for those products which we used to sell in Europe."

"The other agreement is an annuity. It provides that all surplus production—and it is substantial—shall be ceded to Britain

occupied Belgium the truth and to unmask the lies of Nazi propaganda."

It was to Leopoldville that M. de Vleeschauwer flew from Lisbon at the outset of his journey. Standing in front of a great map, he pointed out to me his itinerary.

"First, I spent some time in the Lower Congo district," he said. "There I was able to get in touch at once with our French friends and neighbours who are co-operating so valiantly under the standard of Free France."

"I then flew via Stanleyville to Nairobi, on an official visit. I wished to make it quite clear, immediately on my arrival in Africa, that I was there to reinforce and further our war effort. I was the guest of the Governor of Kenya, and met, too, the Governors of Uganda and Northern and Southern Rhodesia."

### Talk With Gen. Smuts

"Passing through the Congo again I then flew down to Pretoria, in answer to an invitation from Gen. Smuts. There, also, I was received with the greatest kindness, and I hope it will sound presumptuous if I say a word or two about Gen. Smuts. He is a very great man and a great statesman, a truly loyal friend of this country; and what is so amazing about him is his simplicity combined with authority. It was an inspiring experience for me, and an added reason for my complete confidence in the future, to meet a leader like that."

As M. de Vleeschauwer's English is somewhat imperfect, and not being certain about Gen. Smuts's command of French, I asked in what language they had talked together.

"Why, he spoke to me in Afrikaans and I answered him in Flemish," said the Minister, who is himself of Flemish stock. "There is practically no difference between the two languages, and throughout my sojourn in South Africa I spoke mostly Flemish."

"After my visit to Gen. Smuts I returned to the Belgian Congo for a meeting of the Government Council. Finally I left to fly back along the route by which I had come, meeting on the way the governors of the West Coast empire possessions and, in particular, the Governor of Nigeria. Thus was I able to complete the contacts I had hoped to make with all those who, on African soil, are today pulling their weight in the struggle which the British Commonwealth of Nations and their Allied friends are waging."

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You been six weeks in the army, Hubert—is it true that we can be successfully invaded?"











# NANCY



## RELEASE CLAUSE IN MATRIMONY

NAIROBI, June 12 (Reuter).—"I want you to tell the Judge and jury whether you had anything directly or indirectly to do with the death of the Earl of Erroll," said Counsel when Sir Delves Broughton, charged with the murder of Lord Erroll, entered the witness box after the Judge's rejection of the plea that there was no cause to answer.

Sir Delves, referring to his service in the last war, said that he had a pensionable disablement from the effects of sunstroke, one of which rendered him unable to drive at night.

He spoke of a pre-marriage agreement with his present wife that if either fell in love with another, they would release each other.

### In Love With Erroll

The public followed tensely the accused's account of his reactions on realising that his wife had fallen in love with Lord Erroll. There was no quarrel at any time between the accused and Lord Erroll or with his wife. He was very sorry for his wife, and although he regretted the attachment to Lord Erroll, he realised that she had all her young life in front of her while he (accused) had not.

He hoped that his wife, by going away for three months with Lord Erroll, might stop loving Lord Erroll, but Lord Erroll neither approved this idea nor that he (Lord Erroll) himself should go away.

## South Anhwei Fighting

TUNKI, June 12 (Central News).—Severe fighting is raging in southern Anhwei where Japanese troops east of Tungling and north of Tsingyang, taking advantage of a heavy storm on the night of June 10, Chinese positions to the south of the points. Fighting new centres in the hilly regions south of Lianyungang and east of Tsingyang. Yesterday, Japanese aircraft participated in operations. Intercepted by the Chinese, the Japanese troops are being enveloped on three sides and part of them has already been driven back.

### Hengyang Air Raid

HENGYANG, June 12 (Central News).—A fire was started by a Japanese air raid on Hengyang this morning but was promptly put out. The raid was carried out by nine Japanese planes which dropped bombs on the northern outskirts of the city.

### East River Region

KWEILIN, June 12 (Central News).—Indicative of the Japanese losses suffered by the Japanese during their recent operations in the East River region, more than 3,000 urns containing the ashes of Japanese war dead arrived at Canton on June 1 from Shiehling, according to field intelligence reports received here.

### Further Successes

TUNKI, June 12 (Central News).—Further successes were scored by Chinese troops in southern Anhwei as the Japanese at Lianyungang, east of Tungling have been heavily attacked and were routed at noon today following a severe engagement. The Japanese are fleeing towards Tungling by two routes.

In the Tsingyang sector, southeast of Tungling, fighting is continuing in areas east of the city where the Japanese have brought up further reinforcements.

### Barracks Set Afire

LOYANG, June 11 (Central News).—Heavy damage was sustained by the Japanese at Kaileng recently as the result of a successful Chinese raid on their barracks southeast of the city which are now under construction.

Maquering as coolies, a party of Chinese plain-clothesmen gained admittance into the barracks and set fire to the building materials which were all destroyed.

## Anti-Inflationary Measures

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, June 11 (Dome).—In the first measure of the kind taken in Britain since the outbreak of war, the Government introduced into the Commons an anti-inflationary bill empowering the authorities to fix the maximum prices and wages throughout the nation. The measure which is designed to combat the 37 per cent increase in the general price level since the beginning of the war, would lay open all records and books of commercial and industrial enterprises to Government officials. It requires retailers to inform buyers of the maximum prices fixed under the law and demands penalty of £500 or two years' imprisonment in case of violation of its regulations. It will force the offenders to give up business entirely after the fourth offence. If passed, the measure will be applied first to daily necessities some of which are already under price control.

## Cleaning Up U.S. Labour

WASHINGTON, June 12 (Reuter).—The Senate to-day by 46 votes to 25 approved legislation authorising the President to seize defence plants in case of the existence of threatened failure of production and where the management or Labour fail to utilise the existing mediation agencies.

The Administration lost the fight against an amendment providing that the President could not exercise such powers until mediation attempts are exhausted. A high member of the Administration stated that the Government is ready and determined to eliminate from the defence industries all persons considered guilty of promoting strikes for subversive instead of legitimate Union purposes.

## Heroism Of Greece Not Forgotten

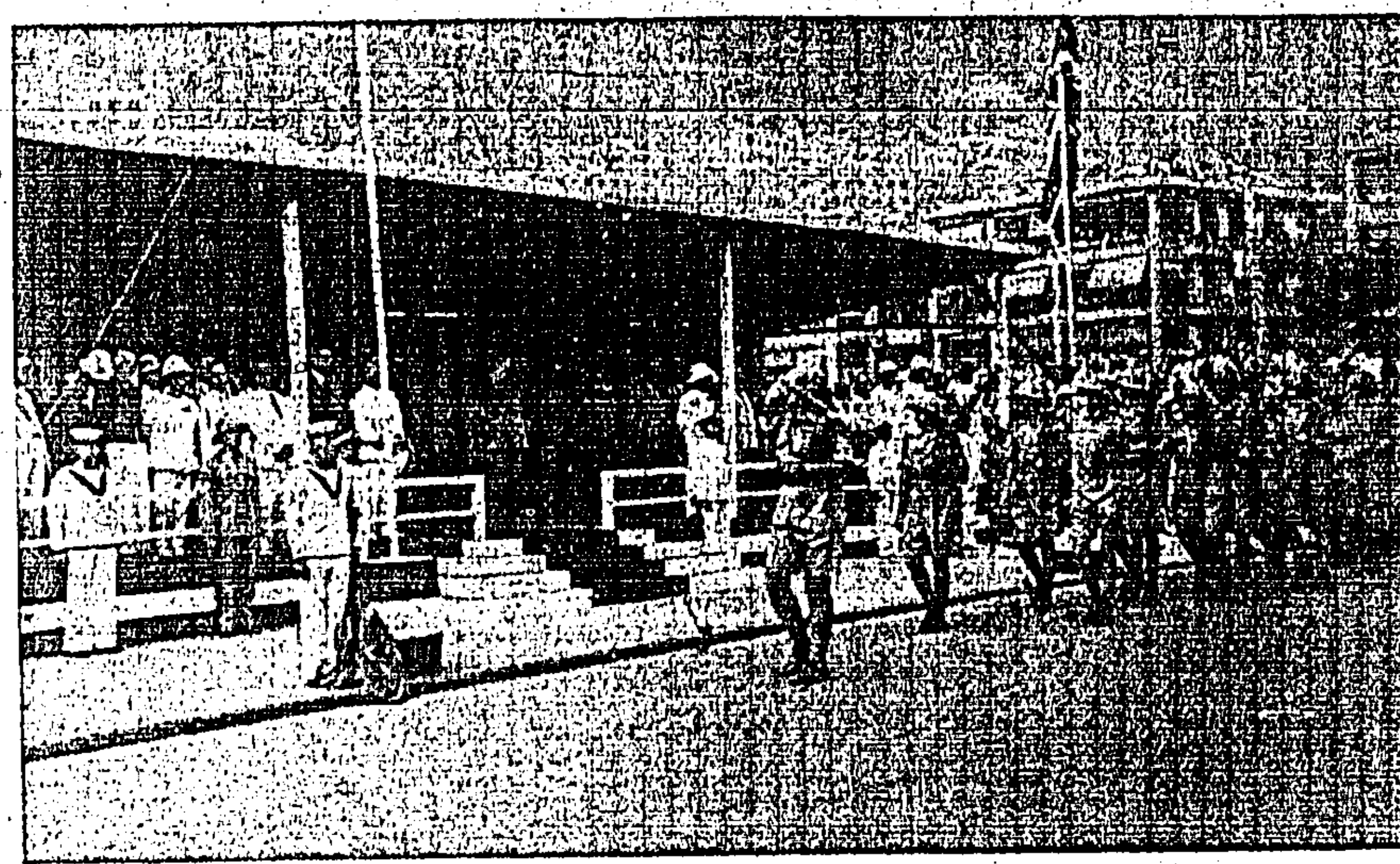
Message From King LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—In a message to King George of Greece thanking the Greek people "one and all and each individually" for their heroic stand in Greece and Crete, King George VI, while saying that the loss of Crete was a "bitter blow," adds: "We share your grief, but we also share your hopes. News reaches this country daily to prove that the tragedy of Greece has left unbroken the spirit of your gallant people, who show and continue to show heroism and disregard for odds unsurpassed in history." "We share your grief, but we also share your hopes. News reaches this country daily to prove that the tragedy of Greece has left unbroken the spirit of your gallant people, who show and continue to show heroism and disregard for odds unsurpassed in history."

## Thai Trust In British Assurances

BANGKOK, June 12 (Reuter).—Commenting on persistent Japanese reports of the strengthening of the Malay and Burma defences, a highly-placed Thai official declared that Thailand is not in the least disturbed by such reports. He pointed out: (1) Thailand has a non-aggression pact with Britain; (2) Britain "has given us specific assurances with regard to the real purpose of the frontier reinforcements and we believe the sincerity of the assurances"; (3) The British forces are stationed not so near the Thai border as the Japanese reports try to make out.

## Factories In Full Swing Again

NEW YORK, June 12 (Reuter).—A full shift was resumed this morning at five factories of the vast Cleveland-Ohio Works of American Aluminium Company of America following a cessation of the strike. The company's spokesman stated that everything was running smoothly and it is expected that full production would be resumed before the day was over. The agreement provides for a general increase in the wages of one cent per hour, making a minimum of 75 cents an hour.



His Excellency Major-General A. E. Grasett, General Officer Commanding, taking the salute during the march past at the King's Birthday review in Wanchai yesterday morning. (Photo: New China Newsphotos).

## Germans Mass Troops As A Military Threat To Russia

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, JUNE 12 (UP).—THE FOREIGN SECRETARY, MR. ANTHONY EDEN CONFERRED WITH THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO RUSSIA, SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS TO-DAY AS NEWS REPORTS INDICATED THAT A GERMAN MILITARY THREAT AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION IS IMPENDING.

One report received at a foreign Embassy stated that 75 German divisions are concentrated on the Soviet-Polish frontier and another 25 divisions in Rumania in addition to between 20 and 25 Rumanian divisions. It is stated that the Soviets are frantically fortifying Bessarabia, ploughing up the roads near the frontier.

Soviet sources admit that it is probably true that heavy forces are being concentrated on the frontier, they assert that Germany will not attack the Soviets or succeed in scaring them into giving important concessions by negotiation.

The latest reports of German intentions from Turkish circles say that Hitler demands facilities at the Soviet Black Sea ports at Poti and Batoum so that he can send his army direct to the Caucasus from Rumania without crossing the Ukraine. From the Caucasus, the Germans could invade Iran and Iraq and threaten the British right flank in the Near East.

## Frenchman Assassinated In Shanghai

SHANGHAI, June 13 (Reuter).—One of the leading French citizens, the well-known lawyer, M. Auxion Ruffe, was shot dead this morning when two Chinese gunmen invaded his flat in the French Concession, firing four shots, three of which lodged in the neck. The motive is not yet known. The gunmen escaped.

## HON. MR SMITH & RETIREMENT

Asked about rumours that he was shortly retiring on pension, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Colonial Secretary, told the "Telegraph" this morning that he would reach the normal retiring age of 65 in rather less than a year from now. To stay beyond that date requires the approval of the Governor in Council, subject to medical fitness. Mr. Smith was appointed as Colonial Secretary in Hongkong in October, 1930 and took leave in 1939. He was recalled for duty on the outbreak of war after a few weeks spent in England. It is recalled that Mr. Smith's predecessor, Sir Thomas Southorn, was Colonial Secretary for 12 years and left on promotion to the Governorship of Gambia at the age of 67.

## INDIAN WHO LOST HIS WAY

"If you get drunk in future, keep away from military land," said Mr. H. G. Sheldon, M.C., to a well-dressed Indian clerk, Bhagvandas Hathramani, 27, of No. 7 Garden Terrace, a native of Hyderabad State, who was charged at Central Magistracy this morning with trespassing on Detention Barracks Road, leading to Flag Staff House, Murray Barracks, about 9.30 p.m. yesterday. Det. Sergeant John Beutley stated that Sergeant Brown of the Royal Scots found Defendant near the Barracks, arrested him and took him to the No. 2 Police Station. There was nothing suspicious about Defendant's behaviour. He had been having a few drinks. Defendant stated that he was drunk and had lost his way. Mr. Sheldon discharged him with the caution quoted above.

## Philippines Cholera Precautions

All passengers and members of crews of vessels entering any port in the Philippines from Hongkong, either direct or via intermediate ports, will be required to present a certificate of immunization against cholera.

Such certificates will be accepted if issued by the Hongkong Government or the representative of one of the medical entities of the Hongkong Government, i.e., the Port Health Officer or his assistants, physicians of a Government hospital, or a medical officer of either the British Navy or Army, had actually performed the inoculation covering the immunization stated in the certificate signed by such a Government representative.

The validity of such certificates, which must have been issued not less than five days prior to arrival in the Philippines, is as follows: For 1 inoculation 3 months, For 2 inoculations 4½ months, For 3 inoculations 6 months. Persons failing to produce the requisite certificates may be subject to surveillance or observation. The provisions regarding immunization and stool examination remain in force for steamer type passengers, regardless of the class of transportation occupied.

## H.M.S. Ladybird Lost Off Libyan Coast

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the British warships Terror and Ladybird have been lost. The Admiralty announcement states that the next of kin of the casualties now having been informed, the Board of the Admiralty regrets to announce that H.M. ships Terror (Commander H. J. Haynes, D.S.C., R.N.) and Ladybird (Commander J. F. Blackburn, R.N.) have been lost as the result of enemy action during operations off the Libyan coast.

The Terror was one of seven monitors built during the last war for bombarding the German-occupied Belgian coast and was almost torpedo-proof. She was of 7,200 tons with two 15-inch guns of great range besides eight 4-inch and a number of anti-aircraft guns. She poured nearly 600 tons of shells into Bardia and over 100 tons into Tobruk when the British captured these two ports.

The Ladybird, a river gunboat of 625 tons, also took part in the bombardment of Tobruk and had a peacetime adventure in the Chinese waters during the Japanese attacks on merchant shipping.

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## Judgment On Taxi Collision

—For Plaintiff

Written judgment in a claim for damages arising out of a collision between two taxicabs in Queen's Road West during the early morning of April 26 was delivered by the Puisne Judge, Mr Justice P. E. F. Cressall in the Summary Court this morning.

Plaintiffs were the Yellow Taxicab Co., Ltd. of 120 Connaught Road Central, and Defendants were the Central Taxi Company, of 188 Des Voeux Road Central. Plaintiffs claimed the sum of \$250.14 for damage done to their taxicab and loss in earnings for ten days at the rate of \$9 per day.

Mr W. A. Mackinlay, of Deacons, appeared for Plaintiffs, and Mr F. H. Losby, of Russ and Co., was for Defendants.

### Judgment

Mr Justice Cressall said: The two issues here are (a) Was the Defendant's chauffeur negligent in the way he drove the Defendant's taxicab and (b) What damage did the Plaintiff suffer as a result of the collision.

With regard to (a) I am satisfied that the driver drove his car without due care and attention, and which is demanded of drivers of motor vehicles on public highways. It is obvious that had he done so he could not possibly have skidded across the whole width of Queen's Road West and come to rest against a pillar on the opposite side. He was at pains in the witness box to explain that the skid was caused by the sudden application of his brakes when the car was going at 18 miles an hour. But he has obviously not told the truth, for it is common knowledge that sudden pressure on wheels moving at speed tends to make the vehicle slow round, thereby bringing the rear of the vehicle forward. The position of his car after the so-called skid was just the opposite however and this makes it clear to my mind that he has not told the truth about the accident.

### Correct Version

I accept that story told by the Plaintiff's chauffeur as being the correct version of what happened and I am satisfied that had the Defendant's driver exercised reasonable care and attention he could have avoided running into the Plaintiff's car, which, he it position, was stationary on the opposite side of the road.

With regard to the damage suffered I am not prepared to accept the estimates of cost of repairs since I do not consider that all the items enumerated were essential. In my opinion an amount of \$105 is ample to cover the damage caused and the sum of \$45 representing \$9 a day (as agreed on by the parties) for five days is sufficient to cover the loss in the earning capacity of the car while undergoing repairs. There will therefore be judgment for the Plaintiff for the sum of \$150 with costs.

## SYRIA WAR TO END SHORTLY

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Allied forces are now on the outskirts of Salda (Sidon) and a few miles south of Damascus. Resistance on the coastal road near the Litani river and at Matalah near Marjayoun developed, but in both areas the resistance has been brushed aside.

Another Vichy Story VICHY, June 12 (UP).—French sources here have reported that several de Gaulle detachments had to be removed from the attack in the Derra sector when they refused to fire on the French loyalists after learning that their opponents were French and not German soldiers.

A fatal accident occurred at Yammouk yesterday, when Chien Chai, 53-year-old man, of 431 Shanghai Street, fell down from second floor. He was taken to Kowloon Hospital where he died at mid-night.

Mrs G. G. N. Tinson, wife of Mr G. G. N. Tinson, Principal of Johnson, Stokes and Master, was fined \$15 by Mr A. N. Macfadyen at Central Magistrate's Court this morning for allowing three of her dogs to go without muzzles at Wong Nei Chung Gap on May 29.

## FIVE NEW INDIAN REGTS FOR ARMY

SIMLA, June 13 (Reuter).—The first step to convert Indian Territorial units into the Regular Army is announced. In accordance with the assurance given by the Commander-in-Chief at the last session of the Council of State, a scheme of expansion, giving wider provisional representation, is now under way to add five new regiments to the Indian Army.

The King has already approved the constitution of the Bengal, Assam and Bihar Regiments and the reconstitution of the Madras Regiment.

Two other regiments to be constituted under the scheme are the Mazbini Sikh and Mahar Regiments. The scheme comprises not only direct recruitments in the areas concerned, but envisages initially the voluntary conversion of Indian Territorial force battalions into regular units.

The Assam Regiment is being raised from the personnel of the Assam Rifles, the Bengal Regiment from the 16th Bengal Battalion and the Bihar Regiment from the 11/19 Hyderabad Regiment.

Four of the existing battalions of the Madras Territorials will be converted into regular units.

### First Indian V.C.

SIMLA, June 13 (Reuter).—Sir Sikander Hyat Khan, Premier of Punjab, has been awarded the Victoria Cross, the first Indian V.C. in the present war, in recognition of his gallant exploit and well-deserved decoration, being the first Indian V.C. in this war.

### Generosity

SIMLA, June 13. (Reuter).—Appreciation of India's generosity is expressed in messages received by the Viceroy from General de Gaulle and the heads of the Norwegian, Polish, Belgian and Netherlands Governments in London and the Czech Red Cross in London, acknowledging a contribution of \$10,000 from the Viceroy's War Funds for the welfare of the Allied forces in the United Kingdom.

## Soviet-Japanese Trade Pact

MOSCOW, June 12 (UP).—Japanese circles to-day expressed satisfaction over the course of the Soviet-Japanese trade negotiations following the publication of a communiqué that an agreement had been initiated. They asserted that the signing is imminent by this spirit of "mutual compromise." The Soviet press stated that the foundation is now laid for the solution of all outstanding Soviet-Japanese problems.

### Settlement in Yen

TOKYO, June 12 (UP).—Settlement under the Soviet-Japanese trade pact will be based on Yen currency and all settlement of accounts will be made through the Yokohama Specie Bank.

Export and import payments will be made directly into special accounts in the exchange bank in paper, thus eliminating exchange transactions.

### Handbag Snatched

Miss Ezra, of No. 7 Humphreys Avenue, was the victim of a handbag snatcher about 8.30 p.m. yesterday in an alley way near the Humphreys Building. The handbag and its contents were valued at \$63.

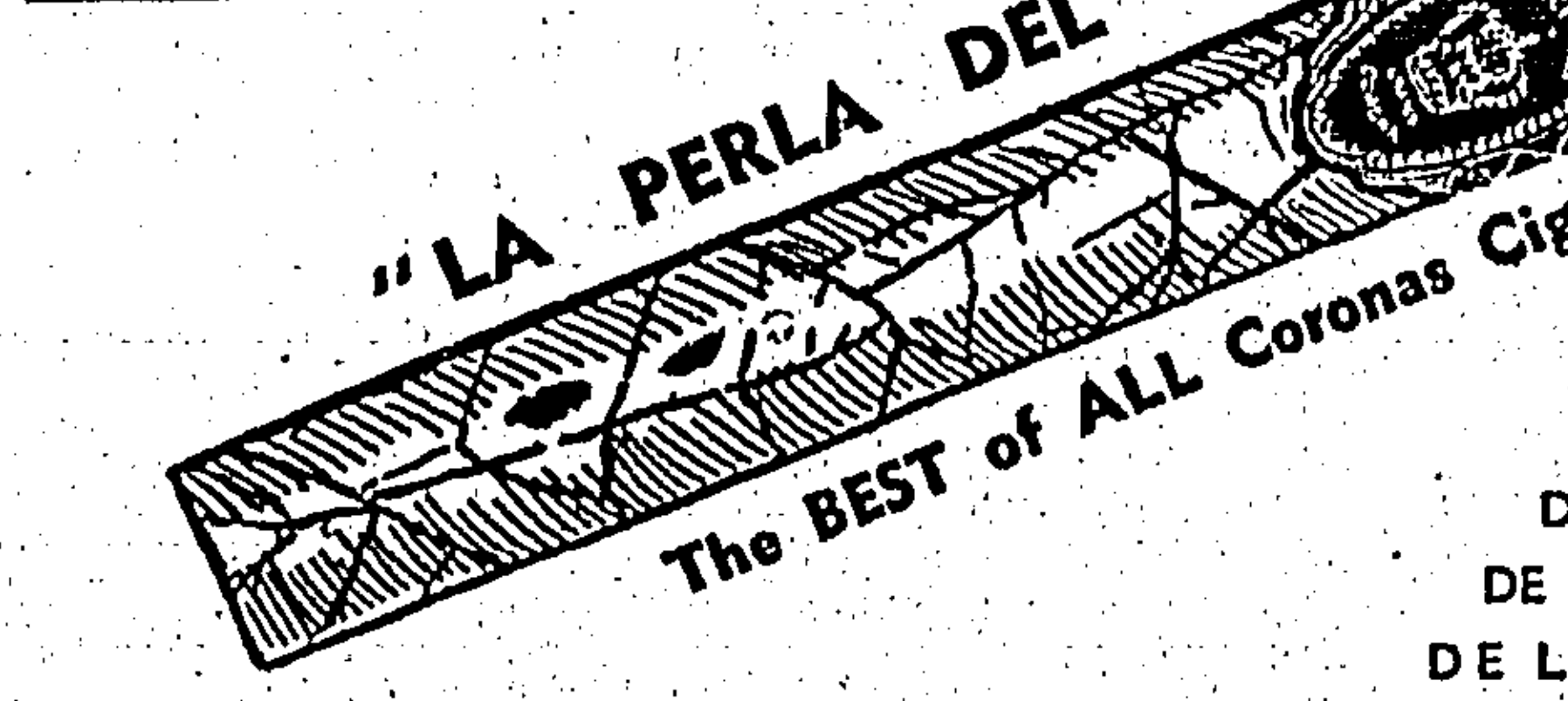
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